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DEAFNESS.

SOME PERSONAL EXPERIENCE WITH A
TWO COMMON CALAMITY.

(The Philadelphia Public Ledger.)

On a Monday night in the early spring of 1881 I went to a circus in Washington and there contracted a severe cold which, in a few days, terminated in a sudden and serious illness, pronounced cerebro-spinal-meningitis—or spotted-fever, as some call it.

On the morning I was raving in delirium and apparently deaf, and since, for nearly ten years, I have been in the "silent-world," so to speak—my lot cast with the deaf, and the deaf and dumb.

It is of some experiences and developments I now write.

Deafness, total deafness, is not the death-like sensation that some believe or suppose it to be. The sense of feeling seems to become more acute, and a deaf person is more sensitive to vibrations than one who can hear, and as there are many degrees of deafness, some are more sensitive to vibrations than others.

Most deaf persons are so from paralysis of the auditory nerves, leading to the drum of the ear, and those who lose their hearing from shocks, illness of various forms, and do not tamper with their ears, suffer no pain.

I have never felt a pain in either of my ears, yet, of course, there is a continual buzzing and ringing there, which is indescribable, for it is neither like the sensation felt by a hearing person with his fingers thrust tightly in the ears, that experienced in diving under the surface of water, or for a time getting the ears full, or the ringing caused by the sharp report of a gun very near; and this feeling is but a sensation to which one becomes accustomed; and, as a cat will seek the warmer part of the room, so seeks the deaf person for the quietest.

During my convalescence there did seem a death-like stillness at times, for I knew I had been very sick, and those moving about stepped around lightly, and to me they spoke in whispers, but when my strength increased and when my speech and eyesight came gradually back I perceived nothing unusual until father one evening wrote on a large slate with a crayon:

"HOW DO YOU FEEL NOW?"

and
"WE THINK YOU ARE A LITTLE DEAF."

The idea of being deaf like an old man was something indeed strange, and, in fact, the novelty of the thing was so great that I hoped and prayed I would continue so—a few weeks—so others and the schoolboys could see the strange effects of my sickness. The vain wish has, of course, been gratified, and I have no more such.

EDUCATION.

I was a schoolboy attending a military academy, and when I was strong enough to go about with the aid of a stick, I went to Philadelphia to two very reputable and successful aurists, so that I might return and enter the school in the fall. The physicians could not help me, and one said I should enter a deaf-mute institute, and, sure enough, his advice was the best, for I found I could no longer get the benefit of class instruction and lectures at the old school, and it was out of the question to go back into the ranks, which now promised "stripes," or perhaps "straps." I had never met a deaf-mute, except one, a peddler, and another one, an uneducated negro boy, and had seen but a few, attracted by their strange mode of conversing by signs and gestures. I got hold of a catalogue of the State school at Staunton, and father was pleased with this "asylum," but, as Staunton is the location of "asylums" for other than the deaf and dumb, and having once had ten maniacs chase me two miles from one near Baltimore, I had no desire to go to any "asylum" to be schooled.

A fellow clerk instructed father as to Kendall Green—one of the most beautiful places around Washington, an institution of wide renown and noble purposes, and for the five years off and on there I was with representative deaf persons from all portions of the country and abroad—persons no different from those I had been accustomed to, except in their mode of conversation, and many of them like myself—deaf, but a short while from disease.

There are about 40,000 deaf-mutes in this country, and they increase with its population, for a very large percentage of deafness is caused by

sickness—cerebro-spinal-meningitis and scarlet fever leading.

The semi-deaf—those merely "hard of hearing"—are not reckoned in this estimate, for these two classes are as distinct as the blind and deaf—and the schools, of which we have to the number of three score and ten admit only those unable to hear well enough to attend the public schools to an advantage.

SPEAKING AND THE SIGN LANGUAGE.

The child born or becoming deaf in early infancy and childhood is unable to articulate clearly and distinctly, and gradually gives up speaking, and, like those born unable to utter a sound, becomes deaf and dumb. By cultivating these, some are in youth taught to speak sentences, and very well, though not perfectly, as the English language is one hard to master, and impossible to some.

For instance, several of my classmates at Kendall Green born deaf could hoot like an owl with the force of a steam whistle, and still were unable to speak a single word, while some tutored according to the Melville Bell system would speak with the accent of a foreigner; some very well. In each school, those able to utter a sound are instructed by a special tutor, and his instruction in some schools means the whole oral method—that is altogether without the use of signs, which are much more convenient and far better in every way. Hence the combined system is the most popular in this country, and our progress has been by far greater than that of any other—the Paris Convention showing that out and out.

The signs form a pictorial language, and the deaf-mutes tell their thoughts and give descriptions by working their arms and making gestures and spelling names on their fingers in twenty-six separate forms, representing our alphabet. This language is not a universal language, for the reason that different nations and countries have different modes and customs—yet one versed in the sign language of the deaf may speak intelligently to another of a different tongue. For instance, in Cuba, among Spaniards and some Portuguese, a couple of years ago, I conversed freely without being able to write a line of their language.

These gestures and signs in our own country differ to some extent, and frequently one sign will do for several words, and a motion will comprise a whole sentence—hence, poetry and written discourse cannot be transcribed word for word, as short-hand may do; yet, of course, a sermon or speech can be interpreted in signs and written down in substance, though no two may write it precisely alike.

The signs, too, differ with the person speaking and spoken to, and some can make an oration in signs and be termed eloquent, when his language is full of flaws according to the laws of rhetorical construction.

One's taste in sign-making has a good deal to do with a good report also. A gentle, melancholy expression with the palm of the hand upon the forehead, indicates the word ill, and its variations pleasantly denoted, while clapping one hand on the stomach and the other against the forehead, rolling the eyes and sticking the tongue away out, indicates the same thing, but rather vulgarly; hence some of these signs are termed idiotic, hideous and distasteful in the extreme.

Some are good sign-makers and others are not, and those best acquainted with the speakers are the most fortunate in reaching conclusions.

And even in the spelling of words by the manual alphabet, there are as many characteristics as in handwriting.

Hearing and speaking persons are not generally good sign-makers, yet there are many who are graceful and eloquent. For instance, Dr. Fay, editor of the *Annals*; Dr. Gillett, of Illinois; Dr. Gallaudet, of Washington; Mr. Crouter, of Philadelphia and others.

Dr. Thomas Gallaudet, of St. Ann's Protestant Episcopal Church, New York City, is best understood by those who are familiar with his signs, and sometimes a good sign-maker gets too graceful to be either eloquent or readable.

Those losing their hearing later in life are not so good sign-makers as the others, and deaf-mutes are always the better of the two.

I think the best sign-maker, the most graceful, most readable and forcible, that I have noted, is Mr.

Wm. G. Jones, of the New York Institution. He is a semi-mute, too.

Deaf-mutes find those affected like themselves their best companions. Hence, many deaf persons marry deaf persons and mutes mutes.

ADVANTAGES AND DISADVANTAGES.

There is no discount on five senses being superior to four. Hence, in the outer world, the deaf person often has a hard road to travel, for his ailment is lack and, as a majority rules, he is at a discount if he cannot do a certain thing, no matter how well he may do others. It is the same as with a one-armed man, who applies for a position to tend a horse and drive, or a one-legged man in a small printing office. One is told he cannot tread the small press, the other can't do much if the horse runs away and could hardly wheel a wheelbarrow at the stable. The deaf man can't wait on customers in a store and, like General Butler, for these little delinquencies he is told he is "only a part man."

Yet, of course, deaf-mutes are in every trade, vocation and profession, with exception of salesmen in stores, music teachers and telephone operators.

I know of two expert telegraph operators, a patent lawyer, physician, travelling salesmen, and many are instructors of the deaf, editors, expert mechanics, artists, machinists, architects, clerks and draughtsmen. I myself have for three years been employed on the leading and other newspapers of this city as a reporter and am frequently sent to Washington for notes, which, of course, are of all kinds, from interviews down.

Deaf-mutes labor to a great disadvantage in some things, but in others they have an advantage over their more fortunate brethren. Say what you will, this is a fact indisputable.

The small deaf-mute battles with our language, and the small hearing and speaking boy has as hard work with his dictation and spelling, and while reading is about the standard subject taken for grading one, language expressed in writing is that for the other.

The deaf child is not so bright with the hearing for the reason that he does not understand. The children of a deaf-mute institution are as happy as those of our common school—look into them and you will find no difference between them. Go to a school where colored children are taught and you only note their color as different; at the deaf school it is their deafness.

I think the average age of graduation at the National College is about that of the average institution of the kind, and the late Professor Henry said that the former's requisites would be creditable to any college in America.

Deaf-mutes are scattered about and deafness makes no distinction as to race and condition of life.

I think there is about one deaf person to each two thousand in most places. Here in a town of 14,000 we have but six, though there are a score of simply hard of hearing people. New York has upwards of 3000 and Philadelphia 1500, and in these larger cities clubs are formed, some of which are very influential and strong, and its members are composed of deaf-mutes, rich and poor, professional men and laborers, Catholics and Protestants, etc.

The schooled deaf-mute is different from the unschooled. Many of the latter are placed in jails and almshouses and asylums for reasons and acts due to their illiteracy and ignorance.

Efforts are being made to counteract these influences and results. For instance, every effort is now being made to get deaf-mutes into the schools, and in some States compulsory education laws are being enacted, for it is cheaper to make men of these than to allow them to become criminals and inmates of already too crowded insane hospitals.

Yet, for all that is done for the deaf, they merit and are entitled to it. Here is a man with a deaf child or one with several children, one of whom is deaf. The public schools are open to all but the deaf child, and, even if it gets in, it cannot get along like the others, hence the State provides a school separate for its deaf children, and, as there are but one or two in a small town and less than a half a dozen in the big cities, this school is located at a central part, and the child is sent there. And when we look over the families of our public school children, how many

could we find who could send that child away to a distant portion of the State to a boarding school. Hence, giving these children board as well as tuition, and in some instance clothing and books, are we doing more for them than for the others? I think not.

These people are grateful for what is done for them, and it is a pretty mean and foolish young man who, graduating with a degree from the college at Washington, the only one in the world for the deaf, who does not love the country all the more, and endeavor to do her credit and honor as a citizen and servant.

Should a war break out, no class would be more willing or more quick to form a regiment or brigade for their country's service than her deaf mute sons, and would they not make soldiers? The witnesses of foot-ball games between the deaf-mute college boys and the Annapolis cadets have often remarked that one seemed to have as much skill and strength as the other, and could show the like in other branches of work. Deaf-mutes have their weaknesses, of course, and they do not any better understand their hearing brethren in some matters than their hearing brethren do them.

MARRIAGE AND SOCIAL LIFE.

The Prof. Bell discussion of the intermarriage question have evoked lively interest from all classes.

The public side with the professor seemingly on the matter of five senses being superior to four; but, as some one has rightly put it, a man marries whom he loves and wants, and Cupid laughs at philosophers as well as at locksmiths.

It would not be well to forbid deaf persons, or even deaf-mutes, from marrying those similarly afflicted, nor do I believe that a deaf-mute or a hearing person of deaf parents can fully realize or appreciate those things that make up the childhood of a hearing person.

Let the average hearing person ask himself if he or she would fancy the thought of his or her son being deaf. What about the lullaby songs of infancy, the teachings of a mother in early childhood? Yet, of course, there are persons of deaf parentage who are peers of any of us.

Professor Bell's good work deserves credit, no matter how mistaken some of his theories may be, and when a deaf-mute college sophomore in a flight of eloquent oratory declares that a mute marrying a hearing person is like hitching a cow and an ass to the same vehicle to draw, he, too, is mistaken and wrong, no matter if the whole million deaf-mutes would applaud his sentiments, as seems to be the case. I have found in my ten years in the silent world much to interest and instruct. I am not ashamed of my deafness. I endeavor to feel that it could be worse, and am grateful. I go about with my pad and pencil handy, for I am not very proficient in lip-reading; in fact, I believe lip reading cannot be wholly relied upon, especially when mingling with all classes of people, and that concerts, lectures and sermons such as we have in our churches are out of the question.

I have heard some talk as though the deaf could hear; they speak miracles—it would seem folly rather. The old semi-deaf man who gets insulted when you ask him if he can read the deaf and dumb alphabet does not know everything nor can he be taken as a standard of others.

The two classes are being drawn nearer and nearer together year by year. We cannot expect everything—rather it is "every man is given his proper gift of God," and what a lesson we have in the Master's simple command "Ephphatha."

MOSES.

ALEXANDRIA, VA., Dec. 3, 1890.

Rev. Mr. Mann's Appointments.

LENT.

- Feb. 15—Cleveland, 10:30 A.M. Holy Communion.
" 15—Cleveland, 4 P.M. Evening Prayer.
" 19—Cleveland, 8:30 P.M. Evening Prayer.
" 20—Erie, Pa., 7:30 P.M. Evening Prayer.
" 22—Edgewoodville, Pa. Morning Prayer.
" 22—Pittsburg, Pa., 3 P.M. Calvary Church.
" 25—Mansfield, O., 3 P.M. Confirmation Lecture.
" 25—Mansfield, O., 7:30 P.M. Confirmation by Bishop Leonard.

Western Ontario.

On the evening of January 31st, Louis Koehler celebrated his 20th birthday by giving the Berlin deaf-mutes and other friends an oyster supper. The supper was held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gottlieb. Shortly after eight o'clock the party was all present with the exception of your correspondent, who was then on the train from Stratford. The proceedings were held over, awaiting my arrival. Promptly at nine I put in my appearance and shook hands with all the friends. There were present Messrs. A. S. Waggoner, Wm. Rose, Arthur Hollis from St. Mary's, G. F. Jefferson, from Toronto, Emil and Henry Gottlieb, Louis Koehler, and myself, and Misses Ringle, Mary Koehler (sister of the host), Mary Plate (sister of Mrs. H. Gottlieb), Mrs. H. Gottlieb, and Miss Davey, teacher of the mutes' Sunday class; also Mr. Wm. Cosgrove, the landlord of the house in which the party was held. On my arrival, the party proceeded to play social games, the first of which was the musical game, ending with a plate full with the "forfeits," which were returned to their respective owners after having done what they were told to do, which caused much fun and laughter. After this, the party played the "blind guess" game and other amusements till 11 o'clock when the supper was announced, and they did full justice to oysters, cakes, etc. The party broke up at midnight and went to their respective homes. I stopped at my usual place with Emil Gottlieb.

The next day was Sunday, on which day the mutes of Berlin were to have had a drive of twelve miles to the Nahrang farm, but the drive had to be postponed until February 8th, there being another engagement at the farm that day.

At 2:30 P.M., the mutes attended the Sunday Class, which was held under the charge of Miss Davey, who has been teaching the class for over a year. The lesson was about Elijah at Horeb. The rest of the day was spent in chatting and talking. I returned home on Monday at noon.

In reference to the statement in my former letter that Emil Gottlieb spent Christmas at his home with his mother and sister in Ayr, I frankly admit this a mistake, as "Pansy" says so in her last letter. Such a mistake occurred in this manner:

A day or two before Christmas, some information came from an apparently reliable source that Emil was to visit his home during the holidays, which I accepted as true when I put it among other items for publication in the *JOURNAL*. However, before the letter had gone very far on its way, I took from my post office box a postal card addressed to Emil in Stratford. The idea of his not being in Stratford at all, aroused my suspicion about his whereabouts. That card was dated a week back, and came from a sister of his, who was in Berlin at that time. Judging from the words in it, she had been informed that Emil had gone to Stratford for Christmas, and sent the card asking him to visit her and mother. I was at a loss to send that card where it could reach him, as he was neither in Berlin nor in Stratford. So I kept it in my possession until the reasonable date when it was supposed he would be back to his trade, and sent him it with a request for an explanation as to his doings during the holidays, but I failed to get any clue to it until I read "Pansy's" letter in the *JOURNAL*, which furnished the desired information. I may add, that I have seen Emil in Berlin and he gave me the explanation.

I have made this mistake good, and let me correct the statement in "Pansy's" letter that John White has obtained work in Detroit. It is true that he was in Detroit and was looking for a job, but failed to secure it, returning home to St. Mary's, Ont. He says he will go back to Port Huron, Mich., in the Spring.

Mr. Alex. Matheson, who was recently appointed Bursar of the Deaf and Dumb Institution at Belleville, has told me in an interview that he will accept the appointment, and will leave for his new home on April 1st, if not sooner. He will be an acceptable member of the staff at the Institution.

G. F. Jefferson, of Toronto, was in Berlin for three weeks selling his books. He says he makes a great deal of money in that hospitable town. He intends coming to Stratford for two weeks and then goes west as far as Detroit, then returning

to Toronto. Mrs. Jefferson accompanies him on his travelling tour.

John Flynn, of Toronto, the great Canadian deaf-mute traveller, was seen in Berlin the other day. He was returning home from the west, his mission being well known to the mutes in this part of the province.

James Duncan, of Stratford, regrets to hear the untimely death of William Thom near Boston, Mass., as he had extended an invitation to him recently to play a game of checkers by correspondence.

Arthur Hollis, of St. Mary's, is now in Berlin and will look for a job outside of his printing trade. He will stay there a month even if he fails to get one.

TIDINGS.

IN SOUTHWEST VIRGINIA.

THE JOURNAL'S CORRESPONDENT
HEARD FROM AGAIN—HIS NEW
CAMPING GROUND—CURRENT TOPICS.

(Regular Correspondence.)

At his majesty, the groundhog, tumbled back into his hole on the 1st inst., and the prophets of the land predicted another six weeks of bad weather, your correspondent pulled up his stakes and moved his camp further down the line—some hundred and twenty miles south of his camping ground. The thundering and booming down in Southwest Virginia attracted our attention some time ago, and we had long been considering the advisability of trying our luck down there, and so as the tip of his majesty's tail disappeared down the hall of his castle, we determined to "make out" for the good (?) land of Canaan at once, without further delay.

Roanoke is a city of 22,500 population, and seven millions of dollars have been invested here since 1882. Roanoke's growth is the talk of the day the world over. She has been christened the "Magic City" of the South, and fully deserves that name, as any one will see if he visits this place. Roanoke has its advantages and its disadvantages, as well. The place is said to be unhealthy, but the amount of capital put down here does not seem to be affected any by the unhealthfulness of the place. Eight years ago, Roanoke boasted of eight hundred inhabitants, to-day she has nearly twenty-three thousand, and in ten years from to-day who knows but that she will be the London of the whole South.

In such a large place as this, people would naturally think that there were a dozen or more deaf-mute inhabitants. But there are only four, and none of these are born citizens of the place. Three of these are printers, while the other is a turner in a planing mill. It is useless to say more concerning the growth of Roanoke, but before closing this subject, we may as well say that Roanoke is all excitement to-day over the passage by Congress yesterday of a bill appropriating \$75,000 for a public building to be erected at an early day.

The folks at the Institution are considering whether or not to have a pantomime performance before the close of the session. The last one was held two years ago for the benefit of the Gallaudet Memorial Fund, and some seventy-five dollars was realized. It would be a good thing, we think, to hold the next one for the benefit of the Goodson and De l'Epee Literary Societies. The proceedings to go to the purchasing of medals for the successful contestants in June next.

The *JOURNAL* correspondent a few weeks back had something to say concerning a letter published in the *Goodson Gazette*. The remarks seem to have stirred up the irate temper of the fighting editor of that journal. The last issue, under date of December 13th, 1890, has the following to say:

"Ritter," of Front Royal, favors us with another letter this week. We noticed his "get off" in the New York *JOURNAL*, reflecting somewhat upon the *Goodson* proof-reader. All that we have to say, is that under the existing circumstances (and these circumstances no one understands better than "Ritter" himself) we are doing the best we can and though his letters are very good and are always welcome, if the manner in which they are published becomes too annoying to his sensitive nature to be borne with fortitude, we would drop him a gentle hint that there is but one way out of the difficulty. We hope, however, that, for the sake of those who like to read his letters, he will be able to "grin and bear it," and without murmuring. Remember, William, only the patient, silent sufferer deserves credit and sympathy. We promise you, however, that your letters to us shall receive all due attention and appreciation, and we hope they will hereafter be published in accordance with your majesty's wishes. Write again.

"His majesty" hopes that by this time his *subject's* ruffled temper has

cooled off, and everything is running in its right channel. His majesty may add further that is perfectly familiar with the workings of the *Goodson* office, and also with a good portion of the whole establishment. His majesty does not, however, acknowledge that there can be an excuse for the way the letter was published, nor will he ever acknowledge it.

The proposed reunion spoken of in our last, has received a shock, that causes every one interested to feel unusually disappointed. A good many of the leading mutes of the State had counted upon having a pleasant time at the *Alma Mater*, at least for once. Some one now says that the proposed reunion could not be conveniently held at this Institution in June, because the teachers will be anxious to get out of the old building into the fresh country air just as soon as the school term closes. The gentleman, who raises the objection, does not seem to fully understand the nature of the proposed reunion. We may state it here in brief.

As is usually the case, a great many mutes are always gathered at the Institution at the close of every session, than at any other time. The object of the reunion that is proposed to be held in June at the school, is to get all those who may be present to take some interest in the organization to elect officers and an executive committee to prepare by-laws, and so forth. The committee should have power to select a place for the next convention, which should be held at a place near the centre of the State, and not again at the Institution until it becomes convenient that the government of that establishment to entertain a large assemblage.

If a convention of mutes should be called in August or in any other month, and at any other place than the Institution, the whole thing would be an outright failure, because only a very few mutes would attend.

Let the reunion be held in Staunton in June next. And if the chapel of the Institution cannot be obtained, let those who have taken so much interest in the proposed assemblage, go to work at once and obtain a suitable room in the city. More Anon.

RITTER.

ROANOKE, Feb. 6, '91.

Mackay Institution.

This winter so far has been a very severe one, and for this reason our Superintendent, Mr. Ashcroft, has been obliged to seek a warmer climate. He left on Tuesday evening on route for Utah, Salt Lake City, accompanied by Dr. Archibald Campbell who also goes to recruit his health. On the eve of Mr. Ashcroft's departure the pupils presented him with a little token of their regard in the form of a pretty little silver travelling cup on which had been engraved his name and the year in which it was received. A short address had been prepared and was very ably read by Miss Etta Wiggert one of our best articulation pupils, and signed by Miss Jessie MacFarlane. The presentation was made by Mr. Norman Wilson. It was with regret that we parted from Mr. Ashcroft, but we feel quite reconciled to lose him when we remember that in three short months he will again join our happy family circle. We sincerely hope that he will never again have to undertake a similar journey.

On Thursday evening, January 29th, we received a visit from one hundred and fifty members of the Young People's Literary Society in connection with St. Matthew's Church, Pointe St. Charles. On their arrival they proceeded to our largest school-room where a few recitations, etc., were given by the pupils. The purpose of this visit was not only to get an insight into our school work, but also to leave a little present. This was four handsomely bound volumes of essays and poems, by the best authors. When leaving, all expressed themselves very much pleased with their short visit.

The last of our delinquents has returned to our midst.

Mr. Ashcroft's place in the school-room has been filled by Miss Jessie MacFarlane. She received her education at our Institution and has proved a grand success. She will probably remain with us until the end of the school term.

The boys are busily employed in making a skating rink. This will be quite an addition to our numerous outdoor exercises.

E. T. R.

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SUPERINTENDENT WALKER of the Kansas Institution has a level head, as is evidenced by the "complimentary entertainment" to the Senators and Representatives of the Kansas Legislature, given by the pupils of his school in Representative Hall on February 5th. The mere fact of giving an interesting exhibition is in nothing extraordinary, but when it is remembered that the well-being of the Institution in no small measure depends upon the legislators, the programme presented to each of them shows originality and wisdom that is to be commended. The programme referred to is a neatly printed little affair of twelve pages, and not only gives the order and nature of the pieces to be rendered, but devotes eight pages to brief and emphasized facts relating to the deaf and their education. This little book is intended for ready reference, and it is advised that each member of the legislature keep it in his desk. No time need be expended in getting at information necessary to advocate and eventually vote for appropriations needed to properly conduct the school, so that the full benefit will accrue to the pupils, and eventually add to the wealth and resources of the State. Money spent in education is returned fourfold, as the results of that education; and, on the contrary, every deaf-mute allowed through parsimony to grow up in ignorance, or who fails to have his capacity developed to the fullest extent, is liable to become more or less dependent upon others, and to entail a corresponding loss upon the community at large.

No less interesting than any, more so than the majority is the Report of the Colorado Institution, which has just been received, and for which Supt. Ray will accept our thanks. Progress, healthy and vigorous, has been the tone of the many reports we have received, and particularly so in the case of this one. The State has been liberal in its appropriations, new buildings have been erected and increased facilities have been given. Though greater in efficiency than in past years, the aural and articulation classes do not show the mental progress that is manifested in the sign department. An interesting record of the "Causes of Deafness," by Supt. Ray, is one of the features of the report.

We have in type a very interesting paper, bearing directly upon the deaf, by Prof. D. W. George, of Jacksonville, Ill. It was delivered by him in signs to the St. Louis Deaf-Mute Society. As Mr. George is well known to all the better educated deaf-mutes of the United States, and has achieved a wide distinction as a scholar and a thinker, it is unnecessary to add that the paper above referred to will be a treat to our intelligent readers. We regret, however, that they must live upon anticipation for a week, as the amount of news in this issue precludes the publication of so lengthy an article in the present number.

Want of space also compels the postponement of our Kentucky and Manitoba correspondence. A reprint from an article contributed to *Science* by Principal Williams, of Hartford, waits for the next issue.

FROM our Rhode Island correspondence, it will be gleaned that a State Institution for Deaf-Mutes will probably be established in Providence.

Abbreviated News concerning Deaf-Mutes.

The idea is to gather into this column items that relate to deaf-mutes personally or to institutions for the benefit of deaf-mutes. We hope our friends and readers will keep us supplied with items for this column. Mark items to be sent: *The Itemizer*.

Mr. James A. Murder made a flying visit to Petersburg, Va., last month.

Chas. McManus is now in Newark N. J., but he will go to Buffalo again next March.

Mr. George Homer's son studied music under Mr. Rheingher three years in Munich, Bavaria, Germany.

Frederick M. Littlefield, of Kennebunk, Me., is happy, because his father is presented with eight little cunning chickens last week.

Deaf-and-Dumb Dick—Say, Bill, see dat bloke?
Blind Bill—Naw; I never sees nothin' durin' business hours.—*Judge*.

The Brooklyn Society will hold its seventh annual picnic at Lyceum Park, Ridgewood, L. I., on the 25th of July next. See the advertisement on the fourth page.

James Maher, of Junction, N. J., was husking corn last season. He has a brother who teaches school in Philadelphia, and another who is yard-master at one of the rail-road depots in Chicago.

Mr. William L. Howell, of Port Jefferson, L. I., has been working in New York. He is a cooper by trade, but gave up the cooping trade on account of trouble with the strikers. He is now a flour-packer.

Mr. John Randolph spent a few days in Petersburg, Va., last month. He called on Mr. O. D. Jones, and they together paid a pleasant visit to Miss Ethel Blankenship. Mr. Randolph wended his way to Richmond.

Mr. Joseph C. Larrabee, father of Mrs. G. A. Converse, died at his home in Medford, last Saturday aged 78 years and 2 months. His family were about him at the time of his death, one son, Capt. Allen Larrabee, having but recently arrived from a 15-months' voyage to Japan.—*Winchendon, Mass., Courier, Feb. 6*.

Patrick O'Brien, of New York, was crazy drunk in Fall River, Mass., recently, and became boisterous, and was arrested by two policemen, who were severely bitten. O'Brien was found to be deaf and dumb and the judge told him if he would not leave Fall River at once, he would send him to jail in New Bedford for thirty days. O'Brien said he would take the boat at once for New York. So he was released.

Will Cincinnati get Hoy, the mute? It does not look very much like it just now. Cleveland has its grappling-irons out for the great outfielder. A dispatch from Findlay says: Hoy is in this city and is getting somewhat anxious to the outlook for the coming season. He is wanted by several clubs, but if allowed to express his own preference he will choose Cleveland, his natural inclination being in that direction. Hoy is in good condition and is ready to play great base-ball.—*Cin. Enquirer*.

A Deaf-Mute Chicken Thief.

Anthony Cannon, a deaf-mute, of 182 Grand Street, Hoboken, was committed by Recorder McDonough to-day on the charge of robbing the henhouse of Mrs. Bridget O'Mallia, 131 Adams street. When caught he dropped three or four live chickens from under his coat.—*N. Y. World*.

Deaf-Mutes Married by Means of Signs.

BURLINGTON, IA., Feb. 6.—F. B. Weaver and Miss Mary Barker, deaf-mutes, were married here last night. The Rev. Peter Swain performed the ceremony, using the sign language, and the couple made the responses in the same way.—*New York Sun*.

Recovered her Voice by Sneezing.

Miss Elizabeth Catton, of this place, lost her voice seven years ago through scarlet fever, and since that time has not been able to speak above a whisper. Last week she went to her brother's in Kalkaska, to stay a few days and caught a cold which brought on a fit of sneezing. She sneezed continually for three hours, and when it was over she was so weak that she could scarcely stand, but was overjoyed to find that she had entirely recovered the use of her voice. The doctors are unable to account for it, but those who have heard her talk since her return, and she has talked all the time since in joy over the recovery, have no doubt of its reality.—*Constantine, Mich., Special to Chicago Herald*.

A FRAUD.

A PRETENDED DEAF AND DUMB MAN VICTIMIZES Haverhill People.

A young man about 17 years old, fairly well dressed, entered the *Gazette* office a few nights ago, and laid a letter upon the counter. It contained the statement that the bearer, who was a deaf and dumb, and a native of Worcester, was alone in the city without food and money, and asked for alms. The *Gazette* man did not fancy the young man's looks and refused to aid him. It was learned that the boy had been stopping at the Bethany Home. Before leaving the office the supposed mute wrote on a blotter, "I don't want your aid. Some day you'll be like me," and then strode out of the door.

To-day Missionary Orne called at the *Gazette* office and stated that a supposed deaf and dumb man had victimized nearly all of our business men, claiming to be without food or money. The statement that he had stopped at the Bethany Mission was false, Mr. Orne declared, and was a fraud of the first water. It is supposed that the shrewd sharper obtained about \$25 in this city.

A Slight Correction.

THE "LIT." AND OTHER ITEMS.

(From our Washington Correspondent.)

It is hardly to be expected that a deaf person whose life-partner is also deaf should take active part in this intermarriage controversy on the side of Dr. A. G. Bell, for very obvious reasons. But, by the same token, when such a person enters the lists from the other side, and especially if his lance is immoderate language, and the tip is poisoned with the venom of an unreasoning hatred, his statements can not be accepted as free from bias. Yet it is not too much to expect that he shall confine himself to at least a basis of truth; and this is just what the writer of "Prof. Bell's Position Clearly Defined," in the last *JOURNAL*, signally fails to do. He starts off by saying:

In that paper [the "Memoir"], Prof. Bell claimed that deafness without any limitations expressed or implied was hereditary, and he went on to prove his theory by a set of statistics collected only from congenital cases, or others caused by blood-relationship. Nothing was said about sporadic or non-congenital cases.

We have a copy of the "Memoir" before us. The basis of the work is the proportion of the congenitally deaf to the deaf population, and the distinction denied by the *JOURNAL*'s correspondent is found in the very preface of the book:

If the laws of heredity that are known to hold in the case of animals also apply to man [not "deaf-mutes," as some writers would have you believe], the marriage of congenitally deaf-mutes through a succession of generations should result in the formation of a deaf variety of the human race.

The caps are ours. There are in this book fifty-six tables of statistics representing every deaf person of whom any complete record could be found, and in not a single table is it the professed object to bring into consideration the congenitally deaf to the exclusion of other classes. Indeed, many of these tables are devoted wholly to the non-congenitals, while those relating to congenitals are all comparative. "Nothing was said of sporadic or non-congenital cases;" oh, no!

Again, quoting from the *JOURNAL*'s correspondent:

Prof. Bell's motives are open to grave suspicion. He has done more than Prof. Turner has done. He has published his false views in pamphlet form and scattered them broadcast in the world.

Prof. Turner promulgated the theory and supported it by statistics. Prof. Bell took up the theory and by further research added to the statistics. Prof. Turner was fully reported in the proceedings of the convention, which were published to the number of probably a thousand copies and sent to every institution in the land. About three hundred copies of Prof. Bell's "Memoir" were printed by the Government and sent to principally to men of science. All of which proves that Prof. Turner was a saint, and Prof. Bell is a deep-dyed villain, who has spent time and money without stint for the purpose of gratifying a consuming hatred for the deaf—or so we judge from the method of argument indulged in by the writer who undertakes to "clearly" define Prof. Bell's position, in the last *JOURNAL*. He says further:

Prof. Bell sought to establish in his paper that in view of the probable hereditary character of deafness, Congress should pass a prohibitory enactment making it impossible for deaf-mutes to intermarry. "Why did he suggest it? Can any one tell?"

Certainly. In the first place the word "Congress" nowhere appears in the "Memoir," and, secondly, the reference to legislative interference was made in anticipation of such a suggestion from others, and shown at once to be a doubtful expedient. The whole is treated in a practical manner: sentiment in a scientific discussion would be as much out of place as a few truthful statements in our wild-eyed friend's tirade.

Not content with publishing his views in pamphlet form, he sought to give them the widest possible publicity by getting himself interviewed by agents of the Associated Press.

How does the writer of the above know that Dr. Bell "got himself interviewed?" Did Dr. Bell and the reporter fall over each other in their haste to vouchsafe the information?

He tried to shield himself from the storm by ordering his private secretary to write a denial, second-hand as it were, in the *JOURNAL*, that he had never advocated such a severe measure as a legislative enactment or that he had declared that deafness was hereditary.

We do not recollect seeing a denial from Dr. Bell's secretary in the *JOURNAL*, but we have read one over Dr. Bell's own signature in *Science*; and we fancy that his word, backed by the proof of the "Memoir," is almost as good as the unsubstantiated assertions of his reviler.

Haven't we a right to insist on as full and public a retraction from Prof. Bell as he gave the expression of his views?

"Retraction" is a pretty strong term. Dr. Bell's "views" have not yet been proven to be erroneous, nor will they be unless Dr. Fay's forthcoming statistics so indicate. As we have before said, we believe that Dr. Bell will, in such an event, make all the reparation consistent with his

'offense,' namely, having a hobby and daring to ride it.

What, then, was his real object? Nothing less than the destruction of the Combined System and the social environment of segregating institutions, societies, conventions, etc.

Passing over the absurdity of this sudden change of front—the assertion in one breath that Dr. Bell's principal object was to secure a congressional enactment in the matter of deaf-mute marriages, and in the next crediting him with an entirely different chief motive—we would ask whether Dr. Bell is not entitled to his views on methods. The majority of us consider the universal adoption of the pure oral method as a thing highly impracticable, and we have more and stronger advocates than the handful of oralists. But we fail utterly to see how, by establishing the pure oral system in institutions for the deaf, the "social environment of segregating institutions, societies, conventions, etc.," is destroyed. This is not so "clear" as the head-lines of our friend's article would have us believe. Possibly he is mistaken.

It will be difficult for that correspondent in Washington and others like him to contract a marriage with the hearing people. I know whereof I speak.

This is very sad news. We deeply sympathize with our jilted brother, and are greatly obliged to him for giving us his experience as a warning, though we hardly think that the public generally are interested in his attempts at "marriage with the hearing people."

The literary meeting of the "Lit." on Friday evening, was opened by Mr. Long, '92, with an essay on "Michael Angelo," supplemented by an object lesson in fine art, consisting of portraits and a bust. After the essayist, came a debate on the subject, "That inventions benefit the working classes," indulged in by Messrs. Odom, '93, and Ryan, '94, in the affirmative, and Messrs. Hosterman, '93, and Drought, '94, in the negative. The judges thought that the affirmative was supported the best, and so awarded. Messrs. Whildin, '92, and Thomas, '95, gave a dialogue, entitled, "The Dime Museum Freak," in which Mr. Thomas represented the great educated skeleton, and Mr. Whildin, the jewelry-weighted exhibitor and lecturer. Mr. Rives' declamation of "The Surrender of Ticonderoga," a well-rendered piece, was the last number on the program. The monthly business meeting of the society occurred Saturday. It was the longest we can recollect, lasting two hours. The bone of contention was the adoption of the committee report on rules for judges, and the matter was finally tabled at two o'clock p.m. A member was also voted a reprimand for ballot-box stuffing at the last election of officers.

Thursday last was Dr. Gallaudet's birthday. In the evening a reception was held at the President's House in honor of the event, to which the seniors and juniors were invited. The officers of the College and Kendall School, with their wives, were also present, as well as the young ladies of the College. From eight to ten o'clock a very pleasant time was passed in conversation and games, refreshments being served in the course of the evening.

Invitations are out for the Saturday Night Class's entertainment, on Friday evening next. There will be a presentation of "Pyramus and Thisbe," to fill in time.

It has been decided not to offer prizes in the gymnasium exhibition of the 22nd inst., though the tug-of-war cup will still be pulled for. There will be exhibitions of skill as usual, but no contesting for other than the approving glances of bright eyes.

The reading room committee for the second half was elected Friday: Messrs. Beadell, '91, Lange and Round, '92; Seaton and Rives, '93. A report of the financial condition of the room showed assets to the amount of \$56 on hand, and this in spite of the reduction of the annual fee from \$1 to 75 cents.

Miss Lewis, of Hartford, Conn., a friend of the Misses Gallaudet, is visiting at the president's house.

W. B. NATIONAL COLLEGE, Feb. 8, '91.

The Force Bill Discussed.

The much talked of debate between the Troy and Albany deaf-mute literary associations took place on Thursday evening last, at the latter's rooms. The question was: "Resolved that the Force Bill should be passed?" The debaters were Messrs. Wm. T. Collins and C. Augustus Smith for the negative, who represented the Troy Society, and Messrs. Myron Palmer and Matthew Kenrick for the affirmative side of the Albany Society. The Secretary of the Albany Society presided. The judges were Messrs. Harrison A. Burt, Charles F. Mull, Thure E. Carman, John L. Connors and Miss Bella De Willegar. There was present a fair attendance of both cities, and they were amply repaid for their trouble, as it was one of the liveliest debates ever witnessed—so they all declared. The judges, after a private consultation, found a verdict 3 to 2 in favor of the affirmative side. The Troy deaf-mutes took their defeat good naturedly, but they challenged their Albany brethren to discuss the "Silver Question," and on Saturday, February 28th at 7:30 p.m., the second debate between the two societies will take place. Admission free to all.

DEVELOPER. TROY, N. Y., Feb. 8, '91.

RHODE ISLAND.

On Saturday evening, January 31st, the 6:25 train pulled out of the Providence Union depot with seven deaf-mutes aboard and took on six others at Pawtucket, making in all a baker's dozen, all bringing refreshments and bound on a surprise visit to Mr. and Mrs. William A. Jackson, of Attleboro, Mass. After a twelve-mile run, their destination was reached, and, as they wended their way to the residence of the Jackson family, under the guidance of Oscar Kinsman, whose wife had gone thither in the morning, a shop was pointed out as the place where Jackson works. Several beautiful residences of manufacturing jewelers and many good houses of employees were seen. Attleboro is truly a jewelry manufacturing town, for which she is famous. Mr. Kinsman, who was in the plot, went out of the kitchen door, and, unlocking the front and parlor room doors, came back in the same way, and told the host and hostess, there was fine rain. The deaf-mutes took possession of the parlor room, and, after being seated in a circle, Oscar Kinsman gently opened the door, leading to the dining-room, where Mr. and Mrs. Jackson, child, and Mrs. Kinsman, were at supper. They were startled, and all jumped. Then came confusion. The host asked: "Oscar, how did you come through after all the doors were secured?" Mr. and Mrs. Jackson were more than surprised to find the room filled with familiar faces, and pleasant greetings followed. Mr. J— said to his wife, "Why she didn't purchase a lamp chimney, as they needed a light," and she said she had forgotten about it, their child was in night dress, preparing for her little bed—bless her, dear tot.—Mr. Jackson saying, he begged pardon for not donning his best, as he was just from work, and but for Mrs. Kinsman's entreaties, he would have gone back to work in the shop—a thousand excuses offered. It was, therefore, a genuine surprise party, and was all the more enjoyed by the intruders. When order was restored, John F. Donnelly made the presentation speech in a few brief words, urging the host and hostess not to think of the intrinsic value of the presents, but of the friendship of the deaf-mutes entertained for them, and then presented them three beautiful rugs in the name of the donors. Mr. Jackson gracefully thanked them all, and said he and his wife would remember them always, as the pretty presents were a good reminder, etc. Then social intercourse, games, and a bountiful collation followed. Before departing for home at eleven o'clock, the visitors were invited to inspect the rooms, and found them well arranged and well-ventilated rooms. The house is a new double-framed structure. The visitors were: Levi A. Lester and wife, Oscar Kinsman and wife, Paul Bertrand, Thomas Collins, Charles Campbell, John F. Donnelly and wife, Joseph H. Donnelly, James Dolan, Harry Hackmann, George Legg and one other whose name we cannot recall just now. They were all from Rhode Island.

The *Providence Journal* said of the doings of the Rhode Island General Assembly on February 5:

STATE INSTITUTE FOR THE DEAF.

Mr. John M. Brennan, by unanimous consent, introduced a bill creating the R. I. Institute for the Instruction and Maintenance of the Deaf and Dumb, which was referred to the committee on education. The institute is to be controlled by a Board of Trustees, consisting of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor and nine trustees, six of whom shall be men and three women, all of whom shall be taxpayers, who shall serve for two, four and six years respectively, and without compensation. They are authorized to purchase a lot of land and erect buildings for which an appropriation of \$50,000 is asked. The Board is authorized to admit deaf persons resident in the State from three to twenty years of age without charge for instruction and maintenance to time in their discretion, while non-residents are to pay such sum for board and tuition as the Board may fix upon. The primary object is to afford the deaf oral instruction and a share in free public education. The Board is empowered to elect a President and Secretary and to appoint a principal, who in turn may recommend teachers and compensation subject to the approval of the Board. The Board also is authorized to employ servants, purchase furniture and supplies and to report annually to the General Assembly.

The *Providence Journal*, the most powerful paper in this State, editorially says:

The bill to establish a State Institution for the Deaf and Dumb on a permanent basis, offered in the House yesterday by Representative Brennan, is in the line of proper philanthropic work by the State in the case of children peculiarly and painfully afflicted, and for whom proper instruction can do much to make existence more useful and happy. The sum asked for is not excessive and the endowment would be of permanent and increasing value.

BRIEF ITEMS.

Miss Abby Bates, of Pawtucket, is enjoying a prolonged tarry with her niece in Amesbury, Mass.

Thomas Collins is forced to be idle on account of slack business in the machine shop. His shopmate, Charles Campbell, is still at work. Tom says he is much in need of rest.

George Prigge, of Pawtucket, spent Christmas week in Washington, D. C., with his sister. Before coming home he visited Springfield and Worcester, Mass.

John B. Lucey, of Haverhill, was in Woonsocket and Providence for a few days last week. He made many hearing friends, owing to the fact that he is a whole-souled fellow. He returned home with the sobriquet of "Great Sport Lucey." They are wondering if he could buy the whole city of Woonsocket, and he cannot afford to forget many acts of kindness showered upon him. He alone knows.

It is reported that Mrs. Maker, an estimable lady of about 60, is slowly sinking.

William Banigan, son of Joseph

Banigan, known all over America as the rubber king, worth \$6,000,000, and owner of the largest rubber factory in the world, which is located at Woonsocket, guarded first base for the Jaspers against the doughty Hudsons of the New York Institution in 1878-79. He was a student of Manhattan College. He spoke well of them.

George Wedge, of Spencer, Mass., accompanied by his lovely hearing wife and two children, were guests of relatives in Woonsocket for some time recently. George is financially well off, owns a house, three race horses, and is fond of gunning. But he does not seem to talk intelligently. He said that he read but little since leaving Hartford in 1877. He complained that Prof. Weeks was a strict disciplinarian, etc.

A petition was numerous signed, asking the State Legislature for the erection of a new building for the deaf in Providence. The deaf-mutes were especially requested to sign their names, with "deaf-mute" added.

Miss Poulen, of Woonsocket, who has been attending the Providence day-school for the deaf for the past six months, was last week sent to a similar school in Montreal, under Catholic management.

Walter B. Peet, who had coached the Columbia College crews for so many years, has at last retired, and Chase H. Mellen, '92, school of law, has been elected to fill the vacancy. Mr. Mellen is a graduate of Oxford University. Walter B. Peet is a son of Dr. I. L. Peet, principal of the New York Institution.

As far as we know, we fail to record a single case when any congenital offspring was born of deaf-mute parents since Roger Williams, banished from Salem, Mass., came to Rhode Island in 1636. There are several persons born deaf of parents blessed with all the senses, such as Mrs. W. M. Follett, Mrs. Desire Mowry and Chas. W. Mowry, all the three children of a family. They ascribe their deafness to the fact that their parents were cousins. All the three children alluded to have more fortunate children, though Mrs. Mowry was married to a cousin.

Is "thirteen" unlucky? Thirteen deaf-mutes were in the train for Attleboro on Saturday evening last, and an aunt of Mrs. J. F. Donnelly died the next day.

"Laurentius" the Boston correspondent, did his duty, however, disagreeable it might be. A prominent writer, living many miles from Boston, acquainted us with the news of the arrest and trial of Mr. Holmes, a few days before the letter appeared in the *JOURNAL*, and said he would pitch into "Laurentius," should he not chronicle the news. But the duty was done, and the Boston correspondent is now respected the more.

There were many wild rumors, but the truth was told in the *JOURNAL*. We think Mr. Holmes should not find fault with him for doing his duty, and placing his case in better light.

A young deaf-mute lady, of Fall River, Mass., was recently accosted by a young man, who claimed he was a mute and hailed from Sullivan County, Ind. She did not know if she could believe him, though he made signs fluently. Judging from the description given us by her, we know who the young man is. He is not what he pretends to be, a son of deaf-mute parents. If he does that again, we will certainly expose him.

We read in a paper that physicians say deaf-mutes never dream of hearing. Is it startling? Alfred Emmons is still among the living, as we learned from the *New York World*, that he sobbed in the court at Richmond, Staten Island, when the judge sentenced his brother to Sing Sing prison for life for murder. We are in full sympathy with Alfred. We remembered the culprit when he visited him at school.

Letter from Rev. Dr. Gallaudet.

9 WEST 18TH ST., NEW YORK, Feb. 7, 1891.
MR. E. A. HODGSON, Editor of the Deaf-Mutes' Journal.

MY DEAR FRIEND:—The Sale in aid of our Home for Aged and Infirm Deaf-Mutes, held in the Guild rooms of St. Ann's Church, on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, February 3d, 4th and 5th, proved to be a great success. The exact amount of the profits will be reported in due time. It is thought they will exceed \$350. All the friends of the Home will surely unite with me in returning special thanks to Mrs. Brown and Mr. Barnes for their patient and untiring zeal in preparing and executing their plans. They must have been highly gratified at the results. We also thank all who so kindly co-operated at the tables and in all the details of this remarkable Sale. I will not write out the names here, I suppose you will have them in another communication. There were several special gifts paid for by subscriptions. On behalf of the Rev. Messrs. Chamberlain, Colt and myself, thanks are cordially given to all the subscribers for the presents we received. Whenever I use my arm-chair, I shall think of my deaf-mute friends, who have thus encouraged me to persevere in efforts to promote their welfare.

Your effective editorial announcing the payment of the \$8000 mortgage on the Home, must have caused great joy to all deaf-mutes, especially to the residents of the State of New York. The success of our Home will help those who are striving to establish others in Pennsylvania, Michigan, and possibly other States.

As the years roll on, we shall need more of these comfortable places of rest for our silent brethren, who break down in the battle of life. Our Heavenly Father will surely bless all who strive to provide for them. With our present bright and encouraging outlook, I trust that all our deaf-mute friends in the State of New York, will at once do something to contribute towards the support of our Home.

Please accept my sincere thanks for the uniform courtesy and attention you have shown to all the work which St. Ann's Church and the Church Mission to Deaf-Mutes have undertaken. With best wishes for the success of the *JOURNAL*. I am, Yours very sincerely,
THOMAS GALLAUDET.

Ontario Institution.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS OF INTEREST.

It is a matter of surprise to our new physician, Dr. Eakins, that so few in all our large community claim his professional attention.

Our matron, Miss Walker, took a run down to Kingston to attend the annual ball of the inmates of the Insane asylum. She was formerly matron there, and still takes an interest in the various happenings in that Institution.

Miss H. Hossie, of Brantford, spent a few days visiting here. She has been appointed matron of the institution for the Deaf at Winnipeg, Manitoba. The little time spent in viewing our system may be of practical use to her in her new position.

Mrs. Terrill gives an occasional temperance lecture to the boys in their reading room, during the noon hour. Quite a number of the boys have donned the blue ribbon.

Every opportunity during mild days is seized by our base-ball cranks for practice, to get their arms in shape for the opening of the season. We expect to put the smartest team in the field this spring that has ever bobbed up on our grounds.

The literary society elected new officers on the 21st ult. the ballots gave the following results: J. C. Balis, President; D. J. McKillop, Vice-President; Wm. Nurse, Sec'y-Treasurer. A proposition is mooted to start a similar society on the girls' side, which, we hope, will be done. It is generally conceded that, if the girls are to have one, they will be more successful as a separate organization.

Our tall pupil, Levi Armstrong, went in boating one day during the noon recess. He got his ears nicely frozen, which caused them to bulge out beautifully, making him for the time being almost as broad as he is long, and he stands over six feet in his stockings, too!

It seems as if nothing long escapes the observation of our sharp-eyed boys. A few days ago, a farmer crossing the bay on the ice, dropped two bags of flour from his sleigh. A couple of our boys found them and took them to the owner, and were rewarded with one dollar for their trouble. A few days after this, Mr. Douglas lost his pocket-book while ice-boating, about a mile out. This was soon discovered by one of our skaters, who, not knowing the owner, kept the news of his find quiet, in hopes of a reward. It was given up when Mr. Douglas made known his loss, and a reward was not forgotten.

We have been remarkably free from ice-boat accidents this winter. Smooth ice and light winds have afforded small chance for recklessness, but the first blizzard that comes along makes things lively; and then crash go the crafts, the results being that two of our boys are nicely ornamented, one with a black eye, and the other with a deep cut across the eyebrow, which will take a long time to heal.

Prof. Deny, teacher of the second class, was surprised, on the 30th ult., by the presentation of an address by his pupils, congratulating him on his birthday happiness. He appreciated the kindness that prompted such a token of respect, and replied to the sentiments expressed in his usual felicitous manner.

AMUSEMENT FOR ALL.

The comfortably fitted-up and cheerful quarters of the Adelphi Literary Union, in the Lyceum Building at 495 Third Avenue, a few doors below 34th Street, will, on this Saturday evening, February 14th, be thrown open for the reception of both the deaf-mute and hearing friends of the members.

A novel, and what promises to be a very entertaining programme, has been arranged for, and, with little doubt, will prove of special interest to those who are deaf, as well as to those who can hear and speak.

The entertainment is billed to start off promptly at 8:10 p.m. During the first half hour, the good humor of the audience will be on the rise, and for the following sixty minutes, food for the curious, the pectically-inclined, and the critically disposed, will float from the platform.

After that an hour will be consumed by Professor Hendrickson, an able artist in the realms of magic, who hails from the city of churches. His mysterious, wonderful, amusing and tragic manipulations will pleasantly substitute the part of the programme intended for the fall of Dan McGinty, and a waste of breath on the part of those gentlemen whose tongues can wag, but who hear not.

THE COMMITTEE.

NEW YORK.

In Aid of the Home.

AND THE FAIR WAS VERY SUCCESSFUL—THE FAIR ATTENDANTS—MR. WHALEN'S EYE OPENED.

Outside News.

(From our New York Correspondent.)

There were lively scenes in the Guild room of St. Ann's Church for Deaf-Mutes on the evening of last Thursday. The visitor there for the first time was impressed with the unusual quiet that reigned in the presence of so many people, and there were upwards of one hundred of them, chatting, laughing, and doing other things that in other places and among other people would conduce to a great deal of noise.

But the majority of this gathering was composed of deaf-mutes, and the occasion the closing evening of the annual sale in aid of the Gallaudet Home for Deaf-Mutes.

It was ushered in on the Tuesday previous with a very disheartening February rain. Despite this drawback to a large first-day attendance, the receipts summed up an appreciative \$50.

A February chill came along with Wednesday, and the outlook seemed decidedly blue. Out-of-doors was anything but agreeable, but the cheerfulness of the Guild room and the happy faces of its inmates some way or other pulled down the thermometer and brought the amount taken in up to \$100 for the day.

Thursday proved a mascot so far as the weather was concerned. Old Sol beamed his brightest. New York, thanks to the rain of Tuesday and the cold of Wednesday, presented a very attractive appearance for those intending to go out. As the afternoon waned the visitors to the fair increased. Towards sunset, the gathering within had grown to respectable numbers. When eight o'clock came round, there were just enough present to make elbow room possible. Without elbow room, the sign-language would stand for naught compared with the possibilities of visible speech.

Young Misses in pretty attire were flitting in and out among the throng. Their smiling faces and flashing eyes spoke volumes. The little books in their hands were instruments of war. Young men, dignified gentlemen, and perfect strangers had no terrors for them. Votes for their favorite candidate to capture some special object were recorded in their books. To refuse a vote was not an easy matter. The look given a refusal made the recipient wish the floor would fall from under him. The price of a vote would disturb one's thoughts to know whether they stood on their feet or on their heads. One vote was no sooner paid for than another young Miss would beat your elbow for just one more.

To one side of the room was arranged a booth that would have done credit to a fair-sized fancy goods counter. Here you could purchase anything wanted for the little ones in the shape of serviceable wearing apparel. The "Domestic Booth" they called it, and behind the counter stood the able manageress of the fair, Mrs. Eva Brown. For assistants she had Mrs. Gallaudet, Miss Sadie Howard, Mrs. A. A. Barnes, Miss Gussie Berley, and during "rush hours," which was generally in the evening, extra help had to be called into service.

For a next door neighbor, Mrs. Brown had a perfumery booth, graced with the oversight of Miss Lizzie Smith, of Brooklyn. There were displayed little bottles containing extracts of rare and varied fragrance, some tied with dainty ribbons, others in fancy boxes of unique pattern. Scented and hand-painted birthday cards were also displayed. Strewn about cakes and boxes of Colgate & Co.'s toilet soap were offered the buyer. A young man coming in late on Thursday stopped here. His eye fell on a round box marked with the words "shaving soap." Involuntarily that young man's hand went to his chin. Asking the price he was told it cost twenty-five cents. An exchange followed, and that young man went on to the next booth with a broad smile on his face. Miss Stein helped Miss Smith dispense with her wares on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evening.

In the right hand corner of the room, facing the entrance, a Japanese collection of knick-knacks were under the care of Miss Tillie Hericht. For the three days of the fair Miss Hericht was the only Japanese lady present. Her attire was Japanese, and a few delicate touches about the eyes contributed to give a Japanese look to her face. Miss Ida Hericht, a hearing sister of the fair proprietor, helped when business became brisk in this quarter.

A fancy goods counter was stocked with an unconceivable collection of articles both useful, ornamental and of a variety it would take a curiosity hunter to describe. Mrs. James Lewis was the matronly lady who saw to its care, and her sales reached a good figure.

Beginning with the second day, a spirit of rivalry sprang up between the "Domestic" table and the "Fanwood" table that was snugly ensconced in the left hand corner of the room. The fair maids at school up on Washington Heights, members of the "Silent Daughters of the King," had here displayed some of their handiwork. This was in the line of crochet work, dainty pieces of lace, fancy knitted articles, hand painted satin ribbons, etc., original with young ladies. A very artistic water color sketch of the Gallaudet Home on a white and gold frame was presented by Frank Evans to this table. It went to Mr. E. H. Currier by vote, by a total of 70½. Mr. A. H. Barnes coming next with 61½. Another piece of art work was a portrait on porcelain of Dr. L. L. Peet. Mrs. L. L. Peet captured that. Up to the closing hour of the fair, it was undecided which table came out ahead. Finally, however, Fanwood won. For this, thanks is due to the undefatigable efforts of Miss Leila Nelson, who had charge, and who exhibited admirable business ability. She was assisted on the closing evening by Miss P. Lewis and Mrs. Knox.

The restaurant proper occupied the room adjoining the Guild room. Dainty lunches were prepared and served by Mrs. Robert Patterson and Miss Katie Madden, and the number of customers that passed in and out was evidence their efforts to tickle the palate proved successful and very remunerative.

A wide area was consigned to the "Confectionery Booth," over which presided Miss M. L. Barton, of Stony Brook, N. Y., who could converse with both hearing visitors and deaf-mutes. Her counter presented a sorry sight one hour before the close of the fair, as indeed did all the other tables. Beginning with Tuesday's opening, Miss Barton's collection of good things would have driven a man with the toothache into a frenzy. Was he there when she gathered up her scattered remnants, he might have found consolation in resting his swollen cheek on the hard and cool boards that were used to construct the booth. Miss Barton was kept busy from beginning to end.

It was natural that in the room of the different booths folks should become thirsty. This was provided for in the centre of the room, where,

Tall and graceful, black eyes and hair,
A winning smile, ever ready to sell,
Lemonade, served with a grace debonaire,
This fair Rebekah at the well,

in the person of Miss Alice M. Hatch. Her well ran dry before ten o'clock on Thursday evening, and the receipts therefrom proved her lemonade was as refreshing as her presence was cheerful.

Over the platform that serves to accommodate the Manhattan Literary Association orators, was arranged a miniature den. Outside of its recesses sat the wise and far-seeing gypsy fortune-teller, who told one's fortune, and made many a young gent consider himself born under a lucky star, for the modest sum of five cents. Miss Estella Hatch was the "wonderful one," and spoke both languages, as the occasion required. The closing hours brought out that eloquent auctioneer, W. Gladstone Jones. His harangues met with the usual good feeling he commands on such occasions. A Singer sewing machine, with all attachments, came up first under the hammer. Starting at \$2, it rose quickly to \$5, and then jumped to \$8. After that, it lagged for a while, and was finally knocked down to Mr. Wm. H. Rose for \$11.25. The machine was said to be brand new, with all attachments. The price, then, was a positive bargain. A deserving couple will be presented the machine by Mr. Rose. A silver plated castor was knocked down to a lady for \$2, and a large number of other articles went at equally low prices.

Misses Nettie Bothner and Lizzie Malloy tried conclusions in capturing votes for a high-backed arm-chair that was to go to Dr. Gallaudet, or Rev. Mr. Chamberlain. The result proved close, but Dr. Gallaudet came out ahead. Miss Malloy took the result in a graceful manner, and added, "But sometimes Mr. Chamberlain will use that chair." There is no doubt but he will.

While all the tables were receiving attention, there was one at the end of the room, just a few feet from the big stove, that passed by unnoticed. A big blackboard was behind the young man presiding here. On it were the names of the different societies of the city, with figures alongside, recording the number of votes polled by their admirers and themselves for a handsome silk banner of red and blue silk, trimmed with gold fringe. At 9:30 p.m., Thursday, the occupant of this booth and donor of the banner, Mr. Edward Whalen, was a side attraction, receiving little notice. He looked sleepy. The Union League had then 147 votes to their credit; the Guild came next with 96, and following them, the Adelphi Union with 18, the Manhattan Literary Association with 10, and the German Club, the Quad Club, the Country Air Club, in order named. A bright idea struck an onlooker. Acting accordingly, he suggested that the Manhattan Literary Association and Adelphi votes be turned to the Guild. That was done. Mr. Whalen rubbed his eyes. Business began to boom. Sympathizers turned to the Union League, then others turned to the Guild. At 10:30, the Guild stood over 200; at 11 p.m., the Union League members dropped in, and way went their votes up to the

450th mark. They won the banner. The clever individual smiled. Mr. Whalen looked happy, and his little idea turned into the fair receipts something over \$35. All honor to Mr. Whalen, and his banner, and to the society that won it.

Taken altogether, the receipts will reach the \$400th mark, which is very flattering to those in charge, when it is considered they were handicapped for two days by very unpleasant weather.

Among the throng who participated at the closing scenes were members of the I. M. C. of the New York Institution. Misses Ella Taylor, Mabella Fish, Agnes Craig, Rapp, Hand, Buss, Boyd, and Pearce. Misses Prudence Lewis and Myra Barrager chaperoned them to and from the fair. Also Mr. and Mrs. Heyman, Mr. and Mr. Loew, Miss Hart, Miss M. Doyle and Mr. Thos. Tighe, Mr. and Mrs. Kohlmetz, Mr. and Mrs. T. I. Lounsbury, Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Fox, Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Wilkinson, Miss Lillie M. Price and friends, Mr. and Mrs. Willard M. Smith, of New Jersey; a number of hearing visitors, and representatives of the different deaf-mute societies of the city, as well as a large number of the former pupils of Fanwood.

Too much praise cannot be given to Mr. A. A. Barnes, the Treasurer, to whom, probably more than any single individual, the successful outcome of the fair is due. While all the ladies, especially Mrs. Brown, were ever active in their efforts, the chief responsibility rested on Mr. Barnes, and he showed that he was perfectly at home, keeping everything running smoothly and encouraging all to do their very best. Though he kept in the background, those familiar with this arduous labor willingly give him credit for his share in the success attained.

OUTSIDE NEWS.

The Quad Club met at a resort up on Washington Heights last Sunday afternoon. The annual dinner of the club was decided to take place on the evening of February 28th. Suggestions were offered to have the club take a permanent form and other business transacted, of interest just at present, to no one but the members.

We understand a new organization is under consideration by a very select few. They claim German descent, though it is an open question if the claim should be allowed. They are American citizens just now, and want to organize under the title of the German American Club. If we are not in error, that is what the Fanwood Social Club is in reality. Too many clubs among so few representatives of the Fatherland is not likely to help either. If they are German, why not join the German Club. Henry Korngold is the proposed or reputed President, Jacob Alexander, the Secretary, and Mr. Victor Brown, the late arrival from Vienna, Treasurer. As to the members, we guess they will have to wait awhile.

The Adelphi Union are said to have dropped the two last events on the programme for the literary entertainment next Saturday evening. Instead they have secured the services of a magician. This, it is safe to assume, will not deter, if it does not add to the inducement for a large attendance.

—MONTAGUE TIGG.

BALTIMORE.

Mr. Louis Nicholson, a pupil of the Maryland School, at Frederick, was called home last week to attend the funeral of his uncle, who died suddenly of heart disease.

Albert C. Buxton, of Prince George County, was in this city for a few days on business. Before departing for home, Albert paid a social visit to the writer. Albert is the postmaster of the place where he lives.

John Zang, who is employed as a driver for a large business concern, accidentally drove against a doctor's buggy and demolished it to the extent of \$25. After having the buggy repaired, the doctor sent the bill to Zang's boss, but he refused to pay it, saying it was the doctor's own fault. The matter will be settled in court.

The Society will give a theatrical entertainment some time in March. Messrs. Leitner, Mooney, Unsworth and Braunkopf are the committee in charge.

Mr. Louis Kampé is in receipt of a letter from Michael Coyne, a former resident of this city, but now of Leadville, Col. The letter says that he is employed as a smelter at \$4 a day. We are glad to hear of his success. Mr. George Leitner, who is a diligent worker as a beamer in one of the large cotton mills, was recently promoted to a better place with an increase in salary, as a reward for his industry and close attention to his business.

Mr. James Mooney, the efficient treasurer, is at present troubled with a sore throat. We hope he will soon get well again.

Mrs. Georgianna Brandlick, nee Pritchard, paid a visit to Miss Bertha Kriesel, by whom she was kindly entertained.

Miss Maggie O'Neil, formerly of Buffalo, has been living in this city for the past three years. She is employed as a machine operator in a large overall factory, and is earning good wages, judging from the fine dresses and jewelry she wears. She prefers this city to Buffalo.

Mr. C. E. Butterbaugh recently purchased a horse and wagon, with the evident purpose of going into the dairy business.

HARRY W.

February 5, 1891.

BOSTON.

Transfer of Boston Deaf-Mute Society.

ENTERTAINMENT FEB. 20.

Notes.

(From our Boston Correspondent.)

Printed circulars were distributed in the Alpha Hall after Prof. W. H. Weeks' sermon this morning, and read as follows:

To the Deaf-Mutes of Boston and Vicinity—The Trustees take pleasure in informing you that on and after Sunday, February 15th, all the meetings of the Boston Deaf-Mute Society will be transferred from Alpha Hall to the Lecture Room of the Young Men's Christian Association corner of Boylston and Berkeley Streets, where religious services will be held every Sunday morning at 10:30 o'clock, followed by the Bible Class.

Wednesday evenings will be devoted to lectures, etc., at 7:30 o'clock as usual. Hartford teachers will preach three Sabbath each month, instead of two as heretofore, the intention being to obtain the best supplies for the pulpits possible to interest and instruct those who attend.

This new hall, by its locality and surroundings, is such an improvement on the old, it is hoped will increase both the attendance and interest. Prompt attendance at the hour named for service is a courtesy due to the preachers that they may not be needlessly annoyed while speaking.

We extend a cordial welcome to all deaf-mute friends to attend the services.

MARTIN BRIMMER, FRANCIS BROOKS, JOSEPH STORY, Trustees.

Many of your readers who attended the Jubilee, will remember the place where Rev. Dr. Thos. Gallaudet preached on the afternoon of the following Sunday after the Jubilee. It is the same place where the Boston Society will meet hereafter.

Some friends of the society were seen to complain that the new place is much out of the way and a long distance from their homes and to some of them two or three changes of cars are necessary, but Mr. J. W. Story, one of the trustees, who was present at the meeting this morning, told "Laurentius" that after they understand it, there will be very little walking to any one.

The Society has occupied Alpha Hall for about ten years, but for the last three years Mr. W. H. Lynde, one of the committee, had been complaining of smoking, chewing, and all sorts of meetings allowed in that hall after the deaf-mute services, and only a few Sundays ago, Mr. Story himself went there in the afternoon, and caught several persons gambling, and together with the surroundings, which are poor and dirty in many places, led him and other trustees to transfer the meetings to the Y. M. C. A. Building.

It will be remembered a few years ago something was said in the JOURNAL about the dictation of the Trustees over the deaf-mutes. This seemed to remind Mr. Story of it when "Laurentius" met him this morning, so he wishes all deaf-mutes of Boston and vicinity to understand that they are welcome to the meetings, no matter whether they belong to any other society, as the Trustees will not interfere nor dispute differences, and that the Trustees don't represent a "society" in the strict sense of the word. The congregation is the society. They want to provide for all that care to come, and no society dictation about their money is to be spent for all deaf-mutes and those who like to come to our services can belong to as many societies as they like.

Wednesday is not to be exclusive to lectures, but other meetings—some social ones—such as the deaf-mutes like. The Trustees do not undertake that part; the deaf-mutes will have what they like that is good and pleasant for acquaintance. This will undoubtedly give the Mutual and Charitable Relief Society a chance to meet on any Wednesday eve, but in spite of this as well as the use of the Gallaudet Society's rooms offered to the Relief Society which was accepted and used only once, they seem to prefer a hall of their own, as they have been talking about it for the last few days.

Mrs. E. W. Frisbee, Mrs. C. P. Wise, and Mr. Fred. H. Stover, all of whom comprise a committee to gather with the aid of the officers of the Gallaudet Society, have completed arrangements for the coming entertainment, which takes place in Wells Memorial Hall, No. 987 Washington Street, Friday evening, February 20th. Governor W. E. Russell, of this state, and Mayor Matthews, Jr., of this city, have been invited to deliver addresses. It is doubtful if the mayor will be able to attend, but the chief magistrate of this state, Mr. Russell will most likely attend the party, now my Republican friends do not hesitate to go and see him, because he is a Democrat, but honor him as the chief of this state. After the addresses, dancing and various games will be had for the rest of the night, as the hall will be open all night to accommodate those living in distant places. Prizes will be offered to winners of various games. Refreshments will be furnished at regular prices in the hall.

Rev. Mr. S. S. Searing gave his third annual reception to his deaf-mute friends, at his residence, on E. Brookline Street, January 29th. About one hundred deaf-mutes were present enjoying themselves in chatting, notwithstanding the parlor being crowded. After ice-cream and cakes were furnished, Mr. Searing

was called to stand on a chair in the midst of the party, and, facing Mr. Creamer, who presented him a silk umbrella in behalf of his deaf friends. Though taken by surprise, he managed to express his gratitude in graceful signs, which surprised the party as much as the umbrella did him, he having been among the deaf-mutes only three years, have improved so rapidly.

Mr. W. E. White, of Nashua, N. H., gave tales of the South of the past and present to the Gallaudet Society last Wednesday, when about thirty-five were present, and appreciated it much.

The deaf-mutes of Boston and vicinity are half frantic in their endeavors to get rich. The fact is, several have joined lodges, etc., in which they expect to make \$100 or more out of very small sums. We hear that two or three have made money this way, which has encouraged others to follow their example.

Mr. M. J. O'Neill, of Lowell, and Mr. Williams, of Haverhill, have been out of work on account of dullness, and visited friends in Boston two weeks ago. They spent one afternoon with a fireman at the Fort Hill Square engine house, whom Mr. O'Neill had known in boyhood, and whom he had not seen for many years. They attended Rev. Mr. Searing's reception in the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Wright, of Lowell, spent a few days in Cambridgeport with Mr. and Mrs. Goldsmith the week before last. They also attended Rev. Mr. Searing's reception.

Miss Emma Proctor, of South Raymouth, Me., is reported engaged to Mr. William Green, of Worcester.

Mr. Thomas Moodie has several letters from friends, who approved of his action against Mr. Holmes, claiming that he will discourage him in further injury to deaf-mutes, while Mr. Holmes claims to have received congratulations from friends at City Hall, where his office is.

Gracie, the five-year-old adopted child of Mr. and Mrs. Orlando Smith, of Somerville, was found wandering in the street of Somerville, on being questioned by a lady, who was passing, and noticed her as lost, she said that she had left home, because of being whipped by her adopted parents, and wanted to find some one who would take her away from them. Fortunately Mr. Smith came along, and claimed her; before the lady could do anything with her.

Mr. E. W. Bigelow will lecture at the Gallaudet Society, February 28th.

Mr. Oscar Kinsman spent Sunday before last in Boston, and paid a visit to the Gallaudet Society.

Mrs. Harrington, of Brighton, spent a few days with friends in Worcester two weeks ago.

Feb. 8, 1891.

St. Louis, Mo.

Saturday, January 31st, dawned damp and cloudy, and as it was the date set for Mr. D. W. George's (of Jacksonville) lecture, many who had intended attending almost gave up all hopes of being able to go in such weather, but towards the evening it cleared off, and a very large gathering greeted him. His subject was "Ourselves." It treated of all the popular topics of the day concerning the deaf and their education. We hope that it may be printed in full in the JOURNAL at an early date.

A brother of Mr. Wm. Stocksick was shot and killed by an unknown man in a saloon on the 30th. The police have not yet found any trace of the murderer.

The Pullman Palace Car shops were burned to the ground. The loss is estimated at \$300,000. Eleven cars were destroyed, and about four hundred men were thrown out of employment.

Among these were three deaf-mutes. Two of them, Messrs. H. McCamley and J. H. Wolf, being old and valued employees, have been sent to Pullman, Ill., to fill vacancies in the shops there.

Mr. George Spersflage, a former pupil of the Northampton, Mass., Oral School, died recently at Colorado Springs of consumption. His remains were brought here and interred in Bellefontaine Cemetery, on the 23d of January.

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S. BLAND.

St. Louis, Feb. 8, '91.

PHILADELPHIA.

Mr. I. Brockman coming from New York City two weeks ago, was at work in the printing office of the Saturday Post in this city for a very few days. He was often seen visiting Apollo Club. He is expected to return home this evening.

The Apollo Club held its monthly business meeting. It was agreed to have an excursion for its benefit in the coming summer; and to make arrangements for a theatrical pantomime to be given in its hall some time in the spring; and to celebrate its third anniversary of the club organization with a banquet in a hotel on April 21st.

HE RAFFLED THE POLICE.

The strange actions of a plainly dressed young man who was wandering about the streets in the neighborhood of the Public Buildings attracted the attention of passers-by yesterday. The young man showed a curious interest in objects which are usually passed unnoticed. His examination of lamp-posts and hydrants was critical and searching, and he started several times in pursuit of passing vehicles, evidently interested by the measure of the rotary motion of the wheels. He turned out to be deaf and dumb, and was thought to be imbecile. A search of his clothes revealed no clue to his name or whereabouts, and he was sent to the Philadelphia Hospital to await indefinite. He is about 22 years old, five feet high, rather thick set, and has blonde hair.

About two weeks ago, Mr. Albert Kidd, our well-known deaf-mute champion wrestler downed Mr. S. of Mt. Holly, N. J., in the latter's town in a wrestling match at \$100 a side twice. Mr. Kidd got first fall, but afterwards Mr. Kidd succeeded in downing his opponent twice in sudden succession, and won two hundred dollars.

A DEAF-MUTE RUNAWAY.

Herman F. Blum, 18 years of age, an inmate of the Pennsylvania Institution for the Deaf and Dumb at Broad and Pine Streets, received permission from the Superintendent several days ago to visit his parents who reside in this city. He took advantage of this opportunity to run away, and as far as Sugartown, Chester county, when he concluded to retrace his steps, and when he arrived at Sixtieth and Baltimore Avenue, Patrolman Joseph Taylor, of the Twenty-first District, took him into custody. The authorities at the Institution were notified, and he was taken back to the institution.

Lenten services are held every Wednesday evening at All Souls' Church during the Lenten season.

Miss C. E. Biery, of Allentown, Pa., is a very charming and sensible lady, is in town visiting her brother for several weeks, and was seen at All Souls' Church yesterday. She seems to be in excellent spirits and good health.

THE DEAF AND DUMB ASYLUM.

Work on the new buildings of the Pennsylvania Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb, Chestnut Hill, has ceased at the order of Building Inspector Samuel Colton, in order to allow the walls to dry out thoroughly. The work will be commenced as soon as more favorable weather sets in. It was reported that the buildings were condemned by the Inspector, but he contradicts the rumor most emphatically.

The St. Louis Deaf-Mute Club, please accept hearty congratulations of Apollo Club upon your having secured a larger and more appropriate room for your meetings.

THE RECORDER.

PHILA., Feb. 9, '91.

Rode a mile a minute.

LAWYER PARKINSON HIRES A SPECIAL TRAIN TO GET TO COURT IN ROCKFORD.

Lawyer Joseph G. Parkinson had to be in Rockford at 2 o'clock to try an important case. Thousands of dollars were at stake in a matter pertaining to a patent right. Between this city and Rockford are ninety-three miles, and a passenger train that covers the distance in two and one-half hours is making pretty fast time. Mr. Parkinson sat in his office on Dearborn street at 11:30 o'clock dictating some correspondence to his amanuensis. When he had finished he called up the superintendent of the Northwestern Railroad by telephone and asked him the price of a special train to Rockford. The answer came back: "One hundred and twenty-five dollars." Mr. Parkinson told the superintendent that if the train would land him in Rockford at 2 o'clock he would pay the money. The superintendent agreed.

Mr. Parkinson rushed from his office with a typewriting machine under his arm. He jumped into a cab and was whirled to the Northwestern Depot. The special train was in readiness, and at exactly 11:31 it rolled away. Going through the city the train was obliged to run at a very slow rate, but when the limits of Chicago were passed the engineer threw back the lever and winked knowingly at the fireman. It was just 1:44 o'clock when Mr. Parkinson alighted from the train at Rockford. The run had been made in 113 minutes, or about a mile a minute from the time the train got outside the city limits. Mr. Parkinson was in court when the case in which he was interested was called, and his eventual ride was the talk of Rockford.—Chicago Herald.

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COLUMBUS.

A Pleasant Sociable.

MR. MCGREGOR'S LONG PRAYER.

(From our Columbus Correspondent.)

The event of the week in deaf-mute circles was the sociable given by Mrs. Jean V. Berry, at her residence on Rich Street, Thursday evening, to the members and those who attend the services at Trinity Church. It was one of the many pleasant gatherings that have characterized the numerous entertainments of the deaf this season. In point of numbers, it was up to the average, and more would have been in attendance, had circumstances permitted. The assistant rector of the church, Rev. Mr. Taylor, was among those in attendance, and his pleasing address lent interest to the occasion. Mr. C. N. Haskins, one of the teachers of the Institution, and who interprets the Sunday services for the mutes at the church, was present to assist, nor should the host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. Berry, be left out, for they did all they could to make everybody feel at home. Miss Edith Biggam was called upon, during the evening, to recite "Guide me, O thou Great Jehovah," which she accomplished in a manner that won applause from all.

Mr. McGregor told a good story on himself that occurred during his college days. He was acting as a book-agent, and having reached a small village in the north eastern part of the State, he made inquiry of the first man he met where he could secure lodgings for the night. He was directed to a house where he made known his wants to the occupant. He was accommodated as a matter of fact. Having been refreshed with a good supper, he was shown into the parlor and told to make himself at home. After a while the head of the family followed by his wife and two daughters, filed into the room and took seats. Mr. McGregor was meanwhile greatly interested in a book, and had not observed what was going on around him. Looking up, he found that the gathering was for family prayers. He was given a Bible, and the chapter to be read pointed out to him. The Scriptures having been read, the family knelt down and Mr. McGregor followed suit. As he could not hear, Mr. McGregor kept one eye open so as to rise when the amen came. The prayer was an unusually long one, and as Mr. McGregor had been fatigued by the long tramp of the day, he had fallen asleep. How long Morpheus held possession of him he does not know. When awakened, he found the room deserted and almost in darkness with the head of the family standing near, candle in hand, motioning for him to stop praying and go to bed.

Story telling being over, refreshments were next passed around to the guests, and these having received proper attention, the bric-a-brac and other decorations which helped to beautify and make cheerful the home were examined, and furnished interest to the company until they departed for home.

The stalwart form of Mr. W. D. Ellis, who graduated from here in '83, and who has since been residing in Nebraska, was seen about the institution Monday afternoon. He has been engaged as a printer out west, but finding the business not remunerative concluded several weeks ago to return to his native city. He will spend a few weeks calling on his old friends and then go into business again.

A cold wave of large proportions struck Columbus on the 3d inst., bringing the mercury down to six degrees above zero. The belief was general among the older pupils, that it was caused by the ground hog who the day before had left its hole, seen its shadow and returned to remain quiet for six weeks more. The cold snap was with us only a couple of days, thus again dashing the hopes of a plentiful ice harvest.

Two or three signatures of the Annual Report of the Institution have reached the State bindery, but there is no telling when the balance will be in so as to complete the work. The State printer seems to be wretchedly slow this year. Whether it is because he took the contract at too low a figure and is going to take his own sweet time in living up to it, or is overwhelmed with other State jobs, we know not. As a consequence of this state of affairs, the majority of the lady employees of the bindery are thrown out of work every few weeks, which to them is a hardship, as they depend upon the place as the means of earning their living.

Miss Maggie Rife has come to Columbus for a time and is staying with her brother Rev. J. M. Rife, of Neil Avenue Methodist Church. Mrs. Sophia Johnston who has been doing house work for a family in Knox County for a year or more past is now with Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Pier on Franklin Avenue. She is desirous of obtaining work as a domestic in some family of this state. It is likely she will be called upon to write up another wedding between deaf-mutes next week.

FANWOOD.

The Seventy-Second Annual Report.

AT THE GALLAUDET HOME FAIR.

Brief Items of Interest.

(From our Fanwood Correspondent.)

The Seventy-Second Annual Report of this Institution is now ready for distribution. The total number of pupils connected with the Institution on September 30th, 1890, was 310, of whom 210 were males and 100 females, but during the entire year there were present 350, of whom 234 were boys and 116 girls. Although this Institution is known throughout the universe as one of the strongest supporters of the Combined System, yet special attention during the year was devoted to perfecting the speech of those pupils who manifested any ability to articulate.

In the Principal's report, mention is made of the International Convention of the Teachers of the Deaf, which was held here last August.

Concerning graduates of this Institution who were present at the convention, Dr. Peet says:

It is a remarkable fact that, at the convention just held, six of the graduates of this Institution, and are now principals in different institutions, one is at the head of the Church Mission to the Deaf-Mutes, and forty-two others, all in various positions, have also been teachers here, and are most of them now actively engaged in the same work elsewhere. Of three of the deaf-mute gentlemen in attendance on the convention, who have been pupils and teachers in this institution, one is engaged in the Money Order Department of the New York Post Office, another in the Record Department of the New York Custom House, and the third in the Treasury Department of the General Government in Washington.

The following is also taken from Dr. Peet's report, and we believe that it will convey an idea to the readers of the JOURNAL of the real result that was accomplished:

"Among the subjects discussed at the recent Convention were the comparative advantages, first, of teaching the English language with the aid of signs, and relegating articulation to the position of a desirable means of expressing language thus learned, as is done in the schools that adopt the Combined System; and, second, of teaching the English language primarily by articulation, and through articulation, and deducing the written form therefrom, without the use of signs. My own paper favored the former view, and was sustained by a large majority of the members of the Convention. I am aware that this subject is one of the true relations of sign-language to the education of the deaf and dumb."

"The majority of the members favored the use of the sign method, with articulation limited to selected pupils, but a large number coincided with the representatives of the New York Institution, in the sentiment that the deaf-mute pupil should be taught to read and write without discrimination, in proportion to his or her capacity."

The attendance at the convention was 346, of which 240 were regular and 106 honorary members. This, however, does not include former graduates and other visitors that the Institution also entertained, which would make the attendance over 500. From the Superintendent's report we clip the following:

"Three hours per day are devoted to industrial work, the balance of the day being divided between the class-room and recreation. The time thus adjusted, passes pleasantly, is free from monotony, and our pupils, in the main, seem to appreciate the efforts made for their comfort and advancement. There is, however, one subject in this connection, which I beg leave to bring to your notice, and for which I bespeak your careful consideration—viz., a gymnasium for our boys. I am aware that this suggestion is not new, but it is none the less true that something of this kind is seriously needed, and should be provided, whenever practicable, particularly since the opening of new avenues through the property, that there is not an acre of available ground on the premises west of the Boulevard, where the boys can indulge in games such as their young blood craves or their youthful propensities need in the development of their physical nature."

"A step in this direction would tend to quiet the unrest felt by our boys during the hours of recreation, and would remove the desire to seek exercise and amusement outside of the walls of the Institution, which temptation of a damaging character besets them on every hand."

Last week a three days' Fair in aid of the Gallaudet Home for Deaf-Mutes, was held in the basement of St. Ann's Church. It was planned and carried on by members of the silent community, so-called, and netted a neat little sum of about \$400.

The King's Daughters of this Institution prepared and sent a number of articles, which, at Mr. Fox's suggestion, were placed by themselves, and the table named "Fanwood" from the place whence they came.

The Art Department of the Institution kindly donated some pieces of china, and a water color sketch of the "Home" nicely framed. At the Fair Miss Leila Nelson of Poughkeepsie, a sister of Prof. E. B. Nelson, of the Rome Institution, presided over the "Fanwood" table, and was assisted by Mr. Fox in wrapping up articles and in disposing of them. The China was voted to Mrs. Gallaudet, with the exception of a portrait of Dr. Peet on a title framed in plush. This was voted to Mrs. Peet. The "Home" picture was voted to Prof. E. H. Currier, who is the able Secretary and Treasurer of the Board of Managers. Prof. Fox was appointed a Committee of presentation, and a little ceremony was arranged Friday morning in Room 11. Dr. Peet and other teachers were invited; the King's Daughters were present, nearly in full. It required considerable diplomacy to get Mr. Currier into the room, and meanwhile Dr. Peet made a speech, which also was a sermon. He expressed himself as much gratified at the work of the girls, and hoped that many other cir-

cles of deaf-mutes would do something every year for the Home. He told us of an old clergyman, Rev. Dr. Shaw, who said "I would rather be a human being than an angel," because the angels had never suffered or known temptation—their lives had always been pure and peaceful, and they could not know or sympathize with human beings, while the saints, who had suffered and fought and endured trials and temptations on earth were far happier for such an experience, so Dr. Peet said he would rather be a King's Daughters than an angel.

When Dr. Peet had concluded, Prof. Fox stepped up and invited both Dr. Peet and Mr. Currier to seats in front of him. It was quite enjoyable to see the look of wonder and perplexity of Mr. Currier's face as he took his place. Prof. Fox briefly explained the object of the assemblage and spoke of the gratitude due those who are benefactors of the deaf, which feeling the deaf are quite capable of comprehending and expressing, thanks to their training at school.

He called upon Miss Taylor to deliver to Dr. Peet the present for Mrs. Peet, and also Miss Craig carried to Mr. Currier the "Home" picture. Both gentlemen appeared pleased. Mr. Currier was quite overcome with surprise, and did not venture a speech, but the expression of his face was sufficiently eloquent without words.

A vote of thanks was tendered the King's Daughters by Prof. Fox, but they felt that he really deserved the most credit for the success of the "Fanwood Table." He was in attendance every night, and did all the advertising, etc., and gave some very good suggestions; so they gave him a hearty vote of thanks for his co-operation, and then the assemblage dispersed.

On Thursday evening, those advanced pupils who desired to visit the Fair were given permission. Miss Prudence Lewis and Miss Myra L. Barragher chaperoned thither the girls, Misses Block, Fish, Craig, Taylor, Boyd, Buss, Rapp, Pearce, Hasty, Eaton, Kortright, Branfuhr, Hand, Baumann, Larson, Anderson, Kuehn and Sanford. Supervisor W. F. Heffernan took charge of the boys, Messrs. F. Aveas, Powers, Koenig, Hermann, Glosque, R. McVea, Lynch, Falte, Dennison, Izquierdo, Gurnee Abrams and Zundell.

The election of new officers of the Protean Society, after considerable discussion, was decided upon, and on Wednesday evening last it took place in their study. However, by a previous agreement, the officers that ruled during the preceding year, were to continue in their respective offices till the Fall term. With the new additions the officers of the Society are: Counsellor, Prof. E. H. Currier; President, William Coombs; First Vice-President, Richard R. Tweed; Second Vice-President, Henry F. M. Pace; Secretary, Robert E. Maynard; Treasurer, Frank Turner; Librarian, Martin Glynn; Committee, F. A. Stryker, Chairman, W. W. Watson, W. Wilbur L. Bowers.

Aside from the election of officers, miscellaneous business, including the dividing of the money collected from their play on January 3d, and such a generous spirit was shown that the Peet Memorial Fund received more than one half the proceeds.

Three cows of Mr. John Lechthaler died Friday last. The cause is supposed to be weeds intermixed with hay. They were carted away by the Health Department.

This year the skating season has been very good. We have several good skaters, among whom is Mr. Robert Maynard, who claims to be the champion of the boys.

"Beau Brummel" attracted Clerk Bassingthwaite to the city last Thursday evening. We met him on his way back walking a la "Beau Brummel."

It is reported that Mr. Joseph Glosque will shortly be married to Miss Aleeta F. Barrett. Both are graduates of this Institution.

The Quad Club held a meeting on the Heights last week, and decided that its next annual dinner shall take place on Saturday, February 28th, 1891. Messrs. Ballin, Fox and Capelli were appointed committee on arrangements. To all the deaf-mute knights of "the stick and rule" it is hoped that there will be a large number of representatives. The future of the club is very promising, as later developments will show. All who desire to attend the next banquet should notify the Secretary, A. Capelli, Station M, New York City.

Delavan, Wis.

There have been some very cold days this week, by far the coldest this winter, the thermometer registering 12 degrees below zero.

Mr. Gustaves Torgerson, '91, was favored with a short call from his brother Oscar last Wednesday. Oscar is a successful blacksmith out in Dakota.

The boys are very properly proud in the possession of a handsome oak book-case, in the upper study-room. It was made in the carpenter shop, and shows the skillful workmanship of Messrs. Frank Niebuhr and Jacob Mueller. Mr. Swiler has kindly transferred a lot of fine books from the library, so as to fill the new book-case, giving abundant reading material for us, accessible at all times, and ready for any leisure moments.

We feel pleased to learn that Miss Linnie Bailey, '90, hopes she will be able to attend the college at Washington next fall. She will be the first lady student there from Wisconsin, and we hope she may do credit both to herself and this school.

Mr. Dudley, an honored deaf citizen of Delavan, went to Chicago recently, where he has an excellent job for a month at least—painting in Oak Park.

At the request of Supt. Swiler, Hon. Louis Proctor, of the Board of Supervision, consented to run up here last Thursday to assist him in our examinations.

Ida Negus, a little girl, was called home by the sad news of the death of her dear mother, Mrs. Warren Negus, nee Miss Calkins, of Jefferson, Wis. Her untimely death was indeed sad for her. Sympathy is extended to her in her hour of trouble. Ida returned on Saturday.

Mr. Frank Hemmeller, a deaf gentleman, of Dubuque, Iowa, stopped here to pay the school.

On Saturday, he was on his way East in search of a job as a cigar maker. He proceeded to Chicago Tuesday, where he expected to find a good job for himself.

Miss Gibson, our matron, made up a pleasant party in her room for some of the elder girls, Saturday afternoon. All reported a very good time.

Several mutes in this vicinity talk about attending the Masquerade Ball of the Pas-a-Pas Club at Chicago, on the 14th, but it is not definitely known yet whether they will go or not.

It is very gratifying to say that, according to Supt. Swiler's report in the Times about the examinations, we never had so thorough an examination as we had last week. His report showed that 40 passed with an average of 95 per cent. and over, placing them on the roll of honor, with Miss Mary Powers at the head; she having secured 100 per cent. in all her studies to her credit. Zeal and industry in all our studies will tend to bring success and power to conquer the obstacles in every-day life.

For the second time this winter, Prof. J. S. Long, at the request of the president, gave us another lecture, on Saturday, the 31st, in place of the debate, choosing for his subject "Girolamo Savonarola and the Republic of Florence."

We were shocked by the announcement of the deplorable death of our old friend, Mr. Edwin K. Ernest, of Oshkosh, Wis., who breathed his last on Monday, February 2d, being afflicted with paralysis, first in one of his arms and then his side. He left a wife and two children to mourn his great loss. He was always a good upright man, and his untimely death will be universally lamented by every deaf-mute who knew him.

YAM.
DEHAVAN, Wis., Feb. 7, '91.

Rochester, N. Y.

Mr. Chas. Gibbs has gone to Sodas Bay to visit his many friends, who are in business in that city.

Mr. F. H. Wackernagel will go to Fairport, N. Y., to see the Misses Kennedy, on the 15th of this month.

On January 28th last, a large number of deaf-mute friends of Andrew Romge went out on his pleasant home on Coleman Street, gave his wife a surprise party last Saturday evening, the occasion being Mrs. Romge's birthday. A very enjoyable evening was passed.

From the Utica Globe: Jason Hiers, a farmer, of Munson, Pa., has a most remarkable family of seven children. The oldest is sixteen, a bright boy, but has thirteen fingers thirteen toes—seven fingers on one hand, six on the other, his toes being similarly divided. Next to him is another boy, fourteen years old. As long as this boy is quiet no one would suppose he had any unusual characteristics, but the moment he opens his mouth to talk he loses all control of his hands, arms, feet and legs, and they jerk and thrash and kick around as if they were hung on wires. The boy is as slow of speech as his limbs are active, and in answering a simple question it is no uncommon thing for his legs to have carried him a rod or more away before he is able to articulate yes or no.

The third child is a girl, who is a hunch-back and a dwarf. She is twelve years old. A boy next to her is deaf and dumb. The fifth child has a bright, red birthmark, encircling her neck like a piece of red flannel. It is an inch and a half wide. The other two children are twins, three months old—a boy and a girl. The boy's head is covered with hair enough for a grown person, while the girl twin hasn't the sign of a hair upon the head, the little poll being as white and shiny as a billiard ball.

The girl is fat and the boy lean. When the boy laughs, the girl cries lustily, and when his little sister is merry, the boy sheds tears and yells. Mr. and Mrs. Hiers are physically and mentally sound.

F. H. W.
ROCHESTER, Feb. 4, '91.

NOTICES.

Residents of Brooklyn are invited to St. Mark's Church, next Sunday afternoon, Feb. 15th, at three.

Residents of Bridgeport, Ct., are invited to St. Paul's Church, next Monday evening, Feb. 16th, at a quarter to eight.

Residents of New Haven, Ct., are invited to the guild-room of St. Paul's Church, next Tuesday evening, Feb. 17th, at a quarter to eight.

GRAND ANNUAL CARNAVALISTIC DRAMATIC ENTERTAINMENT OF THE GERMAN SOCIETY OF DEAF-MUTES.

TO BE HELD AT Germania Hall, 46 Avenue A, On Saturday, March 7, 1891. Doors open at 7 P.M.

Tickets 25 cents each.

The prizes are—A fashionable album, to be contested for by the gentlemen, and a toilet set for the ladies. Every one who attends will receive a fancy cap as a souvenir of the occasion.

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DIALOGUES—Humorous, dramatic, etc. Limited to three couples. Time limit: 10 min. Containing something to add to subject. 2nd prize—One Vol. 12mo. cloth, Hawthorne's Champion Book of Recitations and Dialogues, to each of the winning couple.

POEM—Rendering in signs, Thomas Moore's "The Soldier's Bride." Open to deaf-mute ladies or gentlemen. Limited to three. 1st prize—Handsome bottle of perfume.

NATURAL SIGN RENDERING—Subject: Two first verses of "Down Went McGinty." Limited to two. 1st prize—Illus. vol. cloth, Household Book of Wit and Humor. 2d prize—Illus. vol. cloth, Elkin's Wit and Humor and Fathos.

ORAL RECITATION—Open to semi-mutes. Limited to five. Subject to be left with person selected by the audience. 1st prize—Illus. 40 Vol. "The Old Oak Book." 2d prize—Illus. 12mo. vol. Bill Nye's "Forty Lies and Other Lies."

8 o'clock sharp. Saturday Evening, Feb. 14, 1891.

Competition and Admission Tickets (single) 25 Cents.

Entries close Feb. 12th, by letter with either J. F. O'Brien, 2205 Third Ave., N. Y. City; or D. J. Sullivan, 5 University Place, N. Y. City. Subject in print or writing must accompany each entry. Postal note or postage stamps acceptable.

Competitions open to first entries received after February 1st.

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For the convenience of the public, we publish in this column, in ALPHABETICAL ORDER, a list of Societies, Clubs and Associations of Deaf-Mutes.

ALL SOULS WORKING PEOPLE'S CLUB & CLERIC LITERARY ASSOCIATION.

This club, organized on September 23d, 1890, and reorganized November 28th, 1888, is entirely non-sectarian, and any deaf person over eighteen years of age may join it by agreeing to pay a small sum of money monthly for its support. The purpose of the club is to supplement the instruction received while at school, by a course of lectures and other literary exercises, and the provision of reading matter of a suitable character. In addition, harmless and rational amusements are provided. The club has the use of the guild room in St. Paul's Church for the Deaf, Franklin Street, above Green. The officers of the club are: Rev. J. M. Koehler, Ex-officio Chairman; W. H. Shuck, Secretary; Harry J. Stevens, President; Wm. G. Harwood, First Vice-President; Mrs. M. J. Syle, Second Vice-President; J. S. Reider, Secretary and Treasurer, whose address is No. 1308 St. Louis Street; Mrs. J. S. Reider, Assistant Secretary; Wm. McKinney, Assistant Treasurer; and Wm. A. Miles, Sergeant-at-Arms; The club rooms are open on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday evenings.

APOLLO SOCIAL CLUB.

The object of the Apollo Social Club is to advance its members in social, intellectual and physical welfare. The club occupies a whole five-roomed house at 1302 Washington Avenue, Phila., and its members are at full liberty to use the house at all hours. Business meetings are held on the first Saturday evening of every month. The officers for 1890-'92 are: President, Wm. Henry Lipscomb; Vice-President, Henry Blankenship; Secretary, J. R. Lewis; Assistant Secretary, J. A. Turner; and Treasurer, E. D. Wilson. All communications should be addressed to the secretary at 1302 Washington Avenue, Phila.

BALTIMORE DEAF-MUTE SOCIETY.

The Society holds its meetings every alternate Wednesday, in the basement of the Primitive Baptist Church, on Madison St., one door east of Calvert St. Its object is for improving the moral condition of the deaf-mute community. Lectures are announced by the President from time to time. The officers of the Society are: Frank Leitner, President; George W. Boss, Vice-President; John A. Landick, Secretary; Jas. H. Moore, Treasurer; and J. W. L. Unsworth, Sergeant-at-Arms. The Secretary's address is No. 523 Port St., Baltimore, Md.

CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION.

This association is a branch of the Y. M. C. A. of San Francisco. President, Theodore Grady; Vice-President, Koonath Selig; Secretary, Wm. H. Winslow; Treasurer, Henry J. McCoy; Librarian, Frank B. Shuck; Divine services first and third Sundays in each month, alternate at 11 A.M. Regular business meetings, first Thursday in each month. Address all communications to the Secretary, Wm. H. Winslow, 322 Sutter St., San Francisco, Cal.

MUTUAL & CHARITABLE RELIEF SOCIETY OF BOSTON.

The purpose of the Society is principally social improvement, and to help the needy of our class. Meetings are held the first Wednesday of each month, at Alpha Hall, No. 18 Essex Street. The officers are as follows: President, Mrs. F. W. Bigelow; Vice-President, Mrs. L. A. Blanchard; Treasurer, Mrs. A. W. Wood; Secretary, Mrs. Henry Barnard; Relief Committee: Mrs. Wm. Lynde, Chairman; Mrs. Hattie Wheeler, Miss Pauline Acheson. All communications should be addressed to Mrs. Henry Barnard, 25 Decatur Street, Cambridgeport, Mass.

CINCINNATI SOCIETY.

The Anderson Society dates its organization from 1879, and has for its objects the mutual improvement and social enjoyment of its members and their friends in general. It holds meetings at Anderson Hall, No. 192 West Fifth Street, every Saturday at eight o'clock P.M., excepting the business meeting specified on the fourth Saturday of each month. Ardine Rembeck is President; Willsboro Oxley, Recording Secretary; and Mrs. Alfred A. Bierlein, Corresponding Secretary. All communications should be addressed to the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Alfred A. Bierlein, 48 Celestial Street, Cincinnati, O.

DEAF-MUTES UNION LEAGUE OF NEW YORK CITY.

This organization is one formed for the purpose of bringing into closer intercourse, the former students of the Institution for the Deaf-Mutes of New York, and to disseminate such views as will tend to their welfare. It meets twice a month, and the President is Mr. Samuel Frankheim. Communications are to be addressed to the Secretary, Joseph Yankauer, 327 East 4th St., New York City.

GALLAUDET SOCIETY, OF BOSTON.

The Gallaudet Society for Deaf-Mutes (formerly the "Gallaudet Society") holds its meetings in the basement of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Cortes St., Boston, every Sunday, at 10:45 A.M. Rev. Dr. Gallaudet's clergymen appear on the first and third Sundays of each month. A few well-known literary exercises once a month. Lectures, social gatherings, etc., occasionally. The officers for 1890 are: E. W. Frisbee, President; A. W. O'Connell, Vice-President; Albert S. Tupper, Secretary; Frank B. Roberts, Treasurer, and Geo. A. Wise, Librarian. Communications are to be addressed to the Secretary, Cortes Street, Boston, care of the Church of the Good Shepherd.

GERMAN CHARITY SOCIETY.

Meets at Germania Hall, 46 Avenue A, bet. 34 & 45th Street, New York City. President, S. Werner; Vice-President, H. Eschert; Secretary, Geo. Lindemann; Treasurer, Charles Haas. The Secretary's address is: 220 East 32d Street.

GRANITE STATE MISSION.

The Granite State Deaf-Mute Mission meets every year in different parts of New Hampshire, and elects its officers every other year. The object of the mission is to promote the moral welfare of the deaf-mute community in the State. The officers are as follows: Willie E. White, President, 35 Arlington St., Nashua; Mrs. Minnie Fish, Secretary, Nashua; Willie A. Deering, Treasurer, Pittsfield.

PAS-A-PAS UNION.

The object of this Chicago organization is to promote social and literary culture among its members. The club headquarters is in the center of the city, situated in the building on the south-east corner of Clark and Randolph Streets, facing the Court House. The parlors are open to members and visitors at all hours of the day. Regular business meetings occur on the first Saturday evenings of each month. Officers for the year 1891 are: Geo. T. Dougherty, President; C. C. Colby, Vice-President; G. A. Christensen, Treasurer; William White, Sergeant-at-Arms; O. H. Regensburg, Secretary, of 8494 Wabash Avenue, to whom all communications should be addressed.

THE CHICAGO DEAF-MUTE SOCIETY.

The Chicago Deaf-Mute Society was organized in the month of September, 1878, for the purpose of promoting the moral welfare of the mute community. Meetings are held on the last Saturday of each month at residences of its members. The officers are as follows: Frank F. Andrews, President; Mr. James Gibney, Vice-President; John R. Cotton, Treasurer; Edward P. Holmes, Secretary. The secretary's address is 381 Centre Street.

ST. LOUIS DEAF-MUTE CLUB.

The St. Louis Deaf-Mute Club holds its meeting at 919 Olive Street, Room 13, 3d floor, in the Empire Building, Regent Hotel. The club cordially invites all deaf-mutes to its meetings, for business only. The purposes of the club are principally of a social nature, but the literary advancement of its members and gentlemen will not be neglected. Lectures will be announced by the President from time to time, and all are welcomed on such occasions. Strangers are invited to attend at their own risk at any time of the day, and make themselves at home. Officers: President, William T. Campbell; Vice-President, Louis Jacoby; Secretary, William E. Guss; Treasurer, John R. Campbell; Sergeant-at-Arms, William A. Hammer; Trustees, William F. Stockick and Marcus H. Kerr. The Secretary's address is No. 1014 N. 15th Street.

THE LOS ANGELES ASSOCIATION.

Services every Sunday, at 3 P.M., at the Guild Room of the St. Paul's Church, Olive Street, Los Angeles, Cal. The holding of religious services in the sign-language. 2. The social and intellectual improvement of deaf-mutes. 3. Assisting them to obtain employment at their own trade. 4. Visiting and aiding them in sickness. 5. Giving information and advice where needed. Officers: President, Norman V. Wild; Vice-President, J. R. Lewis; Secretary-Treasurer and Missionary, Thos. Wild. N. B.—The post-office address of Mr. Thomas Wild is Station R, Los Angeles, Cal., to whom all communications should be addressed.

THE MANHATTAN LITERARY ASSOCIATION, OF NEW YORK CITY.

The Manhattan Literary Association meets alternate Wednesday, at 8 P.M., in the basement of St. Ann's Church for Deaf-Mutes, West 18th St., near 5th Avenue. Its regular business meetings are held every first Thursday of each month, and debates every second, and lectures every third. Its object is to improve the moral, intellectual, and social welfare of its members. Its officers are: Chas. J. LeClercq, President; S. P. Cornelius, Vice-President; T. W. Haight, Secretary; Jacob Alexander, Treasurer; Alex. J. Laing, Sergeant-at-Arms. All communications should be addressed to the Secretary, 515 West 87th Street, New York City.

THE NEW ENGLAND GALLAUDET ASSOCIATION OF DEAF-MUTES.

The New England Gallaudet Association of Deaf-Mutes, named in honor of Thomas H. Gallaudet, is now organized by Edwin W. Frisbee, President; Frank W. Bigelow, of Chelsea, Mass., Vice-President; George C. Sawyer, of Chelsea, Mass., Secretary; Levi A. Lester, of Providence, R. I., Treasurer; and Fred. Flynn, of Bangor, Me., For Maine, Fred. Flynn, of Bangor, Me.; for New Hampshire and Vermont, Willie A. Deering, of Pittsfield, N. H.; for Massachusetts, George A. Holmes, of Boston, Mass.; for Connecticut, Herman Erbe, of Waterbury, Ct.; for Rhode Island, John F. Donnelly, of Woonsocket, R. I. For any information, write to the Secretary, 88 Addison St., Chelsea, Mass., with stamp enclosed for reply.

THE BAY STATE CHRISTIAN MISSION.

This Mission is for the intellectual, moral, and religious welfare of deaf-mutes in those places where their numbers make it advisable to encourage the formation of Union Societies, for the mutual benefit of all, in their respective localities; to interest all friends of humanity and Christianity in their behalf; to assist in giving extra services to such local Union Societies, which are in need of more services than they can maintain themselves; to offer an additional or extended service to the local Union Societies, with their co-operation; to strengthen the ties of Christian and ministerial brotherhood; and to discuss subjects pertaining to sacred movements of the Christian Church. Officers: President, Wm. Bailey, Treasurer; and A. C. Hargrave and H. P. Chapman, Executive Committee.

THE NEW JERSEY LITERARY ASSOCIATION.

Meets every two weeks, Thursday evening at 8 sharp, in the Rector Street Chapel, in Rector Street near Park Street, Newark, N. J. The officers of the Association are: President, L. Brede; Vice-President, Wm. Caldwell; Secretary, J. D. Ward; Treasurer, Ella Bourfield; Sergeant-at-Arms, John P. Cotter.

THE TROY LITERARY SOCIETY.

The society holds its meetings every Saturday evening at 7:30 P.M., in the Guild room of St. Paul's Church, cor. 3d and 5th Streets. Its regular meeting for ladies and gentlemen are held, second and fourth Saturdays of each month. The object is the moral improvement of its members by lectures, debates and story telling. The officers of the society are President, J. L. Conners; Vice-President, H. A. Burt; Secretary, J. S. Conner; Treasurer, J. C. Burt; and Sergeant-at-Arms, Jeremiah Drum. It has also a Bible Class which meets in the Guild room every Sunday at 9 o'clock, P.M., under the leadership of Chairman H. A. Burt. All the deaf-mutes and strangers in town and its vicinity are invited to drop in at the Bible Class and regular meetings. The Secretary's address is 429 First Ave., West Troy, N. Y.

THE KANSAS CITY DEAF-MUTE LITERARY & DEBATING SOCIETY.

The Kansas City Deaf-Mute Literary and Debating Society hold their meetings every Sunday